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METHEUN CAUGHT

Fell Into the Hands of His Old Foe, Commandant DeLarey

BRITISH ARE BADLY BEATEN

Irish Members in the House Receive the News With Cheers

London, March 10.—It was announced today that General Lord Methuen and four guns had been captured by the Boers, commanded by General DeLarey. The news came like a thunderbolt to London. Extra editions of the evening papers giving an account of the disaster were eagerly bought up and the readers hurried through the streets with anxious faces and bitter remarks were passed on the subject of the government's declaration that the war in South Africa was over. The news came too late to affect the business of the stock exchange but varied euro dealings quickly followed the closing, in which South Africans sunk heavily.

IRISH CHEERED.

The news was received in the house of commons amid great excitement. The reading of Kitchener's telegram by War Secretary Brodrick was listened to in deep silence which was broken by loud Irish cheers. Instantly there were cries of "Shame!" "Shame!" from the government benches. Then the Irish members seemed to think better of their outbreak and suddenly subsided. Subsequent eulogistic references to General Methuen were received with cheers.

THE DETAILS.

In brief, Kitchener announced that when Methuen was captured, wounded, with four guns, three British officers and 38 men were killed and five officers and 72 men were wounded. In addition, one officer and 200 men were reported missing. Lord Roberts, commander-in-chief, who announced the British disaster in the house of lords, said that Methuen, for over two years, had carried on his work with zeal, intelligence and great perseverance, adding that the general was beloved of his men and that no work was too dangerous or difficult for them or Methuen. The commander-in-chief was sure the house was deeply grieved at what had occurred. He would ask their lordships to concur with him in his sympathy for the gallant officer in his present unfortunate position and defer adverse criticism till they had definite information as to who was directly responsible. From DeLarey's conduct throughout the war they could all be assured that Methuen would be taken great care of.

Lord Spencer (liberal), former president of the council, said he thoroughly believed in General Methuen's zeal. He did not want to offer a hint of criticism at the present time. Lord Salisbury also expressed deep sympathy with Methuen under his present unfortunate circumstances. He said it was not time to discuss his action. He had always acted with the greatest gallantry and the premier, therefore, thought they should defer criticism or examination of the very sad intelligence until the details arrived. His lordship was convinced Methuen had done his best in connection with this most melancholy affair. A feeling of depression in the lobbies of the commons over news of the disaster was very marked. Members of the house expressed the opinion that it will necessitate sending fresh troops to the front, while the belief was widely expressed the Boers will not fail to take advantage of Methuen's prominence to hold him as a hostage for the safety of Commandant Kruzinger and other Boer leaders now in the hands of the British.

CAUGHT BY OLD FOE.

Methuen commanded the column sent to relieve Kimberly in the latter part of 1899 and while on that service fought the Boers at Belmont, Gras Pan, Modder River and Mogersfontein. At the battle of Gras Pan the Boers were under the command of General DeLarey, who is Methuen's captor now. After these engagements Roberts was sent to South Africa, where he took personal command of the British advance on Kimberly Feb. 16, 1900.

After Methuen's defeat at Magersfontein, it was reported he has shown signs of breaking down almost immediately after he took command of his division, and Wolseley, who was before commander-in-chief of the British forces, is said to have suggested to the war office after the battle of Belmont, that Methuen should be relieved, but his advice was not heeded. Methuen sent a number of remarkable messages to the war office, one of which contained just three words: "Darkness after dawn," and his handling of the troops aroused the most violent criticism which was only stilled by the relief of Kimberly, when the question of his health and ability seemed to be dropped. Since that time Methuen has rendered efficient service and several notable successes over the Boers stand to his credit.

BLAME MISSOURI MULES.

London, March 10.—The only additional information concerning Methuen's disaster was in a telegram read just before parliament adjourned. According to this the first confusion was caused by a stampede among the mules and cattle, which communicated itself to the mounted troops, when the Boers successfully frustrated the attempt of the British officers to rally their forces. The mounted men galloped three miles beyond and were cut off. The artillery and Northumberland Fusileers and Lancashires showed great courage and did not surrender until they found resistance useless. It is alleged that DeLarey's force was almost entirely dressed in British uniforms. It is feared Kitchener's incomplete accounts have not told the worst. Papers discussing the situation admitted the extreme gravity and even humiliation to British prestige abroad, involved in such a reverse inflicted by a body of Boers of equal numerical strength.

IRISH REJOICING

In the Commons Is Commented on by Roseberry

Glasgow, March 10.—In a speech tonight Roseberry referred to the Irish demonstration in the house of commons today when the reading of Kitchener's telegram announcing the capture of Methuen was greeted with loud Irish cheers, as a fresh indication of the impossibility of home rule. Roseberry said that Gladstone himself, if he returned from the dead, could not dare to entrust an independent parliament to men who openly rejoiced at a British ministry disaster. The bulk of Roseberry's speech was devoted to the reiteration of his plea for national efficiency. He said that while his program offered nothing which the present government could not give if it chose, he had been forced to appeal to the judgment of the nation against lethargy in high places, a blind contest and disregard of vital questions which had characterized the course of the government for the past seven years.

VEST OPPOSES

The Ship Subsidy Bill—Rural Free Mail

Washington, March 10.—For nearly two hours today Senator Vest of Missouri addressed the senate in opposition to the pending ship subsidy bill. No member of the body has been accorded a more flattering close attention than he received. Despite his evident feebleness he spoke with force and fire and at times became brilliantly eloquent. He carefully analyzed the pending measure and particularly attacked the present navigation laws, which he declared were relics of barbarism and responsible for the decline of our merchant marine.

Mr. Tillman of South Carolina followed with a brief speech in opposition to the bill. He denounced the policy of giving subsidies to anybody, particularly to individuals and corporations engaged in the formation of shipping trusts.

The senate passed a considerable number of unobjected bills on the calendar.

The bill to classify the rural free delivery service and place carriers under the contract system, which has been delayed in the house for over a week, passed today, but in a form that completely changed the purpose for which it was framed. Before it passed the bill was altered radically by its opponents. All the provisions relating to the placing of carriers under the contract system was stricken out and the salary system not only was continued but the maximum salary of carriers increased from $500 to $600 per annum. A motion offered by Williams, democrat, of Illinois, to recommit the bill with instructions to report back an amendment providing for the dismissal from the service of carriers who should use their influence in favor of any particular party or for any particular candidate was voted down 96 to 141.

As passed the bill classifies the rural free delivery service and fixed the compensation as follows: Special agents in charge of divisions, not exceeding $2400 per annum; special agents, four classes, graded $1300 to $1600; route inspectors, four classes, $900 to $1200; clerks, four classes, $900 to $1200. Compensation of carriers not to exceed $600. Tomorrow the postoffice appropriation will be considered.

Appeal to Martinelli

St. Louis, March 10.—To prevent the closing on April 1 of the Immaculate Conception church, Jefferson avenue and Locust street, which has been officially ordered by Archbishop John J. Kay, the parishioners have appealed to Cardinal Martinelli, the papal delegate at Washington. The archbishop is anxious to sell the Immaculate Conception property, which is worth between $150,000 and $175,000, to provide funds for a new Catholic cathedral. In the civil proceedings in the circuit court the archbishop won. A motion for a new trial is now pending.

Displeased with Spalding

Chicago March 10.—According to the Herald some of Spalding's best friends are not pleased with his course in the National league matters and may force him to withdraw unless he changes his method of campaign.

Receiver Named

Lincoln, Ill., March 10.—L. C. Schweidtfeger, cashier of the German-American National bank, has been appointed receiver of the state bank at Elkhart, which failed a week ago.

LONG RETIRES

Secretary of the Navy Carries Out a Plan Formed Months Ago

W. H. MOODY SUCCEEDS HIM

Has Been a Prominent Member of the House--Foss Was a Candidate

Washington, March 10.—The third change in the cabinet of President Roosevelt occurred today when Secretary Long submitted his resignation in a graceful letter, it being accepted in one equally felicitous by the president. The change was made complete by the selection of Representative William Henry Moody of Massachusetts as Long's successor. The change has been expected for a long time. Secretary Long had intended to retire at the beginning of the late President McKinley's second term, but consented to remain until certain lines of policy in which he was involved were more satisfactorily arranged. Then when President Roosevelt succeeded, though anxious to return to private life—for Secretary Long will not again enter public life—a strong feeling of loyalty toward President Roosevelt induced the secretary to defer his retirement until it was convenient for the president to make the change. Recently Secretary Long has been in Massachusetts making arrangements with his old legal connections to re-enter the practice of law and he has had his house at Highland put in order for his occupation. When Secretary Long entered the cabinet originally he was an active member of the firm of Heming, Andy & Long, a well known legal firm in Boston. He has always maintained a silent connection with the concern and will again become an active partner. Mr. Moody's selection for the post of secretary of the navy was the outcome of an interesting contest.

JOHN D. LONG, SECRETARY OF THE NAVY

FOSS A CANDIDATE.

There were not less than half a dozen aspirants but the struggle finally narrowed down to two representatives in congress—Mr. Foss of Illinois, chairman of the naval committee of the house, who had the energetic support of his western colleagues, and Mr. Moody, for whom Senator Lodge made a winning fight. It was for a long time in doubt whether Moody would not be placed in some important foreign mission rather than in the navy, but he preferred to stay at home.

The news that Representative Moody had accepted the navy portfolio reached the capital shortly after noon and Mr. Moody, who was on the floor of the house, was showered with hearty congratulations. For several minutes he held a levee in one of the side aisles of the republican side and the democratic members who noticed the demonstration crossed over to join in the ovation, his congratulations from that quarters being fully as hearty and sincere as those from his own side of the house.

MOODY'S RECORD.

Mr. Moody began to rise to prominence during his first term in the house when Speaker Reed selected him frequently to preside over the committee of the whole and predicted for him a brilliant legislative career. As a member of the appropriation committee he has since led several fights on the floor, notably in connection with the contest between the navy and geodetic survey over the jurisdictions of deep sea surveys. He secured the adoption of the resolution on appropriation bill raising Dewey to the rank of admiral.

Root Denies

Washington, March 10.—Secretary Root specifically denied any commission had been issued to Bishop O'Gorman or any other person, looking to the acquisition of the friars' lands in the Philippines by the United States government.

DEATHS OF THE DAY

DIED IN THE HARNESS.

Dubuque, Ia., March 10.—John S. Murphy, editor of the Telegraph-Herald, died suddenly in his editorial room.

TORNADO REPORTED

To Have Swept Country North of Omaha

Omaha, March 10.—A tornado is reported to have swept the country north of here. Sudden damage to the telegraph wires seems to give the report confirmation.

Omaha was visited by a tornado at 1 o'clock this morning. A number of houses are reported unroofed, blown in and windows smashed. It is thought no lives were lost. The center of disturbance was at Twenty-fourth and Cummings streets.

A. B. AYERS DEAD

Banker and Prominent Citizen of Jacksonville Passed Away Monday

Jacksonville, Ill., March 10.—Augustus B. Ayers, vice president of the Ayers National bank and one of the prominent residents of Morgan county, is dead, aged 75 years.

STRIKE AT BOSTON

Freight Handlers and Others to Number of 10,000 Out

Boston, March 10.—The strike of the freight handlers of the city, which threatens to involve 10,000 men, began today. The team drivers' union, embracing about 6000 men, led off and other unions followed.

The strike grows out of the Brine Transportation company's trouble with its teamsters, which began several weeks ago, but was precipitated by refusal on Saturday of members of the freight handlers' unions to take care of merchandise handled by non-union teamsters employed by the Brine company.

A large force of police is on duty to prevent disturbances.

The New York, New Hampshire & Hartford railroad and the Boston & Albany branch of the New York Central road are most directly involved today.

In view of the threatening aspect of the strike the state board of arbitration today placed itself in touch with all concerned.

Providence, R. I., March 10.—There is intense interest here in the Boston strike, as this is one of the leading distributing centers for New England. The freight handlers here, it is said, would stop work if requested to do by by their Boston brethren.

SWEDISH STATE LEAGUE

At Bloomington Addressed by Mason, Dawes, Sherman and Hopkins

Bloomington, Ill., March 10.—The Swedish republican state league today adopted a resolution endorsing the state and national administrations, deploring the assassination of President McKinley and recommending more stringent laws for the protection of public men and the punishment of assassins. Officers were elected as follows:

President—A. W. Truedson of Galesburg.

Vice President—Peter Johnson of Kane.

Secretary—Oscar Dell Olson of Chicago.

Treasurer—M. A. L. Olsen of DeKalb.

A banquet tonight concluded the convention. The principal speakers were Senator Mason, Congressman Hopkins, Judge Sherman and Charles G. Dawes.

SUSPECTS SHOT

Runaway From the Police to Avoid Investigation

Bloomington, Ill., March 10.—Two young men named Burke and Pearson, members of respected families, were perhaps fatally shot at midnight by the police on suspicion of being incendiaries. For two years incendiary fires, principally in barns, have been numerous and a large reward was offered for the capture of the firebugs. An incendiary fire tonight led to the overhauling of two men who were acting suspiciously and they were shot while fleeing.

DEMOCRATS TO TEST

The Legality of the Last Apportionment Act in McLean County

Bloomington, March 10.—The democratic state central committee today decided to fight in the courts the legality of the congressional and senatorial apportionment law, passed by the last legislature, taking McLean county as a test. M. T. Moloney of Ottawa will have charge of the contest in the courts.

Nearing a Settlement

Berlin, March 10.—The dispute between Germany and Venezuela is nearing a settlement. Terms are as yet a foreign office secret. They are, however, satisfactory to Germany, and Venezuela has apparently yielded without Germany's having made any direct threat or having had to do anything like sending an ultimatum.

LaCrosse, Wis., March 10.—There has been a heavy rain in the vicinity of LaCrosse the past twenty-four hours. The Mississippi and all its tributaries are rapidly rising. The Black and LaCrosse rivers it is feared will overflow their banks and do much damage to adjoining lands. The ice in the Mississippi is breaking up.

GOES HOME TODAY

Prince Henry's Visit Ends with Splendid Demonstration in Philadelphia

VISITED THE CRAMP YARD

And Was Greatly Interested in the Ship Building--Vanderbilt's Guest

Philadelphia, March 10.—Prince Henry was given a remarkable ovation by thousands on the streets on his arrival and during a drive through the streets. He spent some time inspecting Independence hall and the relics there. Before entering the hall he passed the statue of George Washington, which he saluted. This act was greeted with a roar of applause from the crowd. From Independence hall he went to Cramp's shipyards which he inspected critically, visited all the warships being built there and expressed wonder and delight with what he saw. The new Russian battleship, waiting for the ice to break in order to leave for home, was manned by sailors. The prince boarded this vessel and received the honors of his rank.

At the Union League the prince was the honored guest at luncheon. In his speech he declared there was absolutely no secret mission in his visit to this country and that anything published to the contrary is untrue.

After luncheon the prince boarded his train and as it pulled out of the depot was given another ovation.

HEARTY WELCOME.

His reception here was most cordial and the welcome heartfelt. From the moment when the special train bearing the imperial visitor steamed into the Pennsylvania railroad station the popular demonstration was hearty and spontaneous.

The program governing the visit was carried out as planned in a manner befitting the dignity of the royal visitor.

The prince arrived at 10:20. He was met at the Broad street station by Mayor Ashbridge and a citizens' committee and escorted to the mayor's office in the city hall. Freedom of the city and the mayor's address of welcome were presented to the prince, after which he was driven to Independence hall and thence to the Cramp's shipyard.

Ready to Sail

New York, March 10.—Prince Henry and party tonight boarded the Deutschland on which they sail tomorrow. At a dinner on the ship the prince entertained those who had been his hosts on shore.

THE VANDERBILTS

Entertained His Highness at Dinner on Sunday

New York, March 10.—Prince Henry was the central figure Sunday in another round of entertainment arranged in his honor. He first listened to a concert at the Waldorf-Astoria hotel, largely made up of his favorite American songs, the concert being arranged at his request. When that was over he drove to the University club to a luncheon, which was not concluded until midafternoon. In the evening he was the guest at a dinner of Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt, and met a large party made up of persons of social prominence.

When the prince bade farewell to the company at the Vanderbilt home he went to the New York yacht club for an informal reception and the hour was late when he returned to the Waldorf-Astoria for the night.

He found time between the four main events on his program for the day to receive a delegation representing the commercial club of St. Paul and several callers, and to finally complete the arrangements for the last two days' stay in this country and his departure for home.

CHARGE AGAINST WU

Chinese Minister is Said to be Corrupt

Pekin, March 10.—The Manchu censor has memorialized the throne for a memorial to Wu, the Chinese minister to the United States. The censor asserts that Wu has corruptly retained, ostensibly for repairs to the Chinese legation at Washington, eighty thousand dollars of Tien-Tsin silver, refunded by the American government.

Washington, March 10.—Wu says he has telegraphic notice of the receipt by the Chinese government of the fund referred to in the Pekin dispatch and not one cent of it could be misappropriated. He says there is no foundation whatever for the statement that eighty thousand dollars have been retained.

Steamship Arrivals

Gibraltar, March 10.—Lahn from New York for Naples and Genoa.

Liverpool—Georgic from New York; Ultonia from Boston.

New York—Karlsruhe from Bremen; Staatendam from Rotterdam.

CALL ON PRESIDENT

To Discuss the Question of Cuban Reciprocity

Washington, March 10.—Chairman Payne of the ways and means committee and Representative Grosvenor were among the president's callers today. Although both maintained great reserve as to their calls, it was known that the Cuban reciprocity situation was discussed. Payne's associates in the contest pressed the belief that the reciprocity plan would prevail in some form. Others who talked with the president said he was in some doubt as to just what had been promised the Cubans, but it seemed the island's products were to be given the advantage of the American markets.

It is understood that Senator Allison today remarked that more importance had been given the subject than was warranted; that the proposed 20 per cent reduction would not be of material advantage to the planters of the island, nor would such a reduction of duty on Cuban sugar affect in any material way the beet sugar interests of this country.

Representative William Alden Smith of Michigan, one of the most active opponents of the 20 per cent reciprocity plan, called on Speaker Henderson and assured him the movement was not against the speaker or those of the house in authority. Smith said those conducting the opposition had the highest regard for the speaker and the ways and means committee, and that the present movement was due solely to the earnest conviction against a reduction of tariff duties. Smith also called on Secretary Shaw and suggested that under the Brussels agreement, the Cartel system would continue another year, and proposed that under Section 5 of the Dingley act, a countervailing duty be imposed against sugar under the Cartel system the same as this countervailing duty is now imposed against bounty sugar. It was urged that support of this plan would give greater relief to Cuban sugar than any action congress would take.

SPORTING

Philadelphia, March 10. Charley McKeever and Philadelphia Jack Brown fought six rounds to a draw tonight.

Chicago, March 10. Regarding the plans of the Olympian games to be held here in 1904 it is stated that there will be a world's championship contest in the standard sports. Exhibitions also will be given in sports peculiar to the different nations of the world, as well as sports of the great west. An effort will be made to include within the evening program representations of games of ancient Greece and Rome with appropriate pageantry and settings. There will also be a comprehensive exposition of sporting apparatus and equipment. B. J. Rosenthal, chairman of the finance committee, will visit Washington and New York shortly in the interest of the games. He will then take the first steps toward securing from Congress an appropriation of a half million dollars toward defraying expenses.

Chicago, March 10.—Martin Duffy, the Chicago lightweight, defeated Matty Matthews, the Brooklyn welterweight, in a six-round contest tonight. Ole Olsson was given the decision over Eddie Santry in a six-round bout.

SEVERE WIND STORM

At Bartlett, Iowa, Does Considerable Amount of Damage

Bartlett, Ia., March 10.—A severe wind and thunder storm struck this place this afternoon and did considerable damage to buildings. One residence was blown down but none of the occupants were seriously hurt. There was a terrific downpour of rain which lasted nearly an hour.

At Oakland, ten miles east, the Rock Island tracks were badly washed out and the wind caused much damage to small buildings.

CANNON A MEMBER

Of the Congressional Committee to Have Charge of Elections

Washington, March 10.—A joint caucus of the senate and house republicans was held tonight for the selection of members of a congressional committee to conduct the coming congressional campaign. Among those chosen are:

Illinois—Cannon.

Iowa—Hull.

Michigan—Corliss.

South Dakota—Burk.

Wisconsin—Babcock.

Colombian Government Gains

Washington, March 10. The United States minister to Colombia reports, under date of March 3, that during the preceding week the government troops had steadily advanced and occupied important positions near Bogota which had been vacated by the revolutionary forces, who are understood to be in a desperate situation and seeking an opportunity to escape.

Confirmed

Washington, March 10.—The senate confirmed these postmasters:

Wisconsin—C. Hidden of Sun Prairie, W. F. Gruetzmacier of Watertown, P. W. Mackenzie of Paynette.

GRAIN ON HAND

Less Wheat, Corn and Oats Than Has Been Known for Some Years

WHEAT USED TO FEED STOCK

In Greater Volume Than Any Previous Year--No Quantitative Estimate

Washington, March 10.—The agricultural department this afternoon issued its report:

Until the publication of the census figures of acreage, based on a farm to farm canvass, admit of making any necessary adjustments in acreage figures of this department, no quantitative estimate of the amount of grain remaining in the hands of farmers on March 1 will be made by the statistician.

Reports received from the department's correspondents indicate that about 23 per cent of last year's wheat crop is still in the farmers' hands, as compared with 21.5 per cent (128,000,000 bushels) of the crop of 1900 on hand March 1, 1901, and 29 per cent (158,000,000 bushels) of crop of 1899, on hand March 1, 1900.

The corn in the farmers' hands is estimated at about 29 per cent of last year's crop, against 36.9 per cent (77,260,000 bushels) of the crop of 1900, on hand March 1, 1901, and 37.2 per cent (773,700,000 bushels) of the crop of 1899 on hand March 1, 1900.

Of oats there is reported to be about 30 per cent of last year's crop still in the farmers' hands, as compared with 36.2 per cent (292,800,000 bushels) of the crop of 1900 on hand March 1, 1901, and 36.5 per cent (290,900,000 bushels) of the crop of 1899, on hand March 1, 1900.

While, as stated above, and more fully explained in connection with other official reports, no definite quantitative estimates of grain production for 1901 will be made public at present, reports received by the department make it manifest that the wheat crop of that year was one of the largest ever grown; the corn crop was the smallest with one exception in twenty years, and the oats crop much below the average. This is a conspicuous departure from the ordinary relative production of the three principal grains and appears to have been followed by the use of wheat as feed for animals more extensive geographically, if not in actual volume, than has ever before occurred.

ONE GRAVE FOR ALL

Five Little Children Perish in Their Burning Home

Binghampton, March 10. "Dig one large grave; children are all dead," so reads a telegram received today by his sister here from Thomas Scanlon, whose five children were burned to death at Shinhopple, Delaware county, last night. The bodies will be brought here for burial tomorrow. No details of the accident can be secured tonight. Shinhopple is a small settlement near Hancock. It is presumed the home was burned at night while Scanlon was away and all the occupants except Mrs. Scanlon perished.

SEVEN HUNDRED KILLED

Revolutionists Near Panama Meet with Awful Rout

Panama, March 10.—The government states it has positive information that in a recent engagement the revolutionists lost seven hundred killed or wounded. General Salzar, while admitting the situation is serious, has no fears for the safety of Panama.

Held up by Highwaymen

Guthrie, Okla., March 10. Mrs. Sibyl Taylor of Rockford, Ia., was held up by highwaymen near this city last night. Her pockets were cut from her dress and robbed her of money, railroad tickets, postoffice order and other valuables.

Birthday Dinner

At their home, on North Monroe street last night, Mr. and Mrs. Rathbun entertained in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Charley Boyer. The dinner was in celebration of Mr. Boyer's birthday anniversary. The dinner had scarcely been concluded when many members of the young people's society of the First M. E. church came in. When Mr. Boyer's surprise was greatest, a flash light picture was taken and his friends anticipate much fun in showing it.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, March 10. Illinois: Showers Tuesday; Wednesday fair, colder; fresh to brisk south winds, shifting to west.

LOCAL WEATHER.

The following is a record of the temperature for the twenty-four hours ended Monday evening at 7 o'clock as reported by Prof. J. H. Coonradt, government observer:

7 a. m.	43	Highest	[illegible]
Noon	62	Lowest	[illegible]
7 p. m.	61		

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C. P. HOUSUM TAKES A HAND

In Saving a Negro who was Arrested, Tried and Sentenced to Death Within Two Hours' Time

Hugh Housum has received a letter from his father, Charles Housum, who is spending the winter in Barbados, West Indies. He gives an interesting account of a murder trial held there the latter part of February. The letter is under date of Feb. 26th, and relates that on the 5th of January, the European, an English ship, landed at Barbados an American negro by the name of Carter, who was charged by the captain with the murder of a shipmate by the name of Guines during a quarrel while at sea on January 3d. A preliminary hearing was held at Barbados January 6th and 7th and six witnesses selected by the captain were examined and the negro held to the April assizes. The witnesses were left at Barbados and the ship sailed January 7th for South Africa. During this time the negro was given no opportunity to call witnesses or present any evidence except what could be gotten from the witnesses provided by the captain.

A special session of the assizes was called for February 5th and at that time the trial of Carter was taken up. Judge Plowman of Deadwood, S. D., who is spending the winter there, was present at the trial and said that he had never seen such a farce. Within two hours and forty-five minutes the case was called, a jury secured, the evidence presented and a verdict of "guilty" returned and the negro sentenced to be hung on February 28th.

The American consul, Mr. McAllister, was absent in the United States and Mr. Housum and the vice consul, a Mr. Clare, after appealing in vain to the attorney general of the island, the governor and the colonial secretary for a commutation or a stay of execution, cabled the state department in Washington. After the exchange of several messages the following was received February 23d:

"American Consul, Barbados, W. I. - Ambassador Choate who was cabled to use his good offices with the British government to stay execution for investigation in Carter case, cables that Lord Lansdowne has set inquiry on foot."

At the date of the letter nothing had been heard of the "inquiry."

Hugh Housum, who was there a few years ago, says that their system of administering justice is expeditious but little else. He saw as many as six misdemeanor cases tried and disposed of within an hour. The penalties for conviction are much more severe than here.

COMPULSORY VACCINATION

Provisions of a Spanish Mayor's Decree to Enforce His Idea

The alcalde of Valencia in Spain evidently believes in compulsory vaccination, and means to have it in his bailiwick. He has issued a proclamation declaring vaccination compulsory, and indicating some methods for making it so. This edict makes interesting reading. Among its provisions are the following: All municipal doctors are to refuse to attend the sick poor unless the latter get vaccinated within twenty-four hours. All school masters are to demand certificates of vaccination from their pupils. Laborers employed by the city will not receive their wages unless they present certificates of vaccination. Mill owners shall demand such certificates from their employes under penalty of fine. Directors of jails, hospitals, almshouses, asylums and sanitoriums shall admit no visitors without certificates of vaccination. Paupers, sick or well, shall receive no assistance unless they submit to vaccination. Charity tickets "distributed on feast days" will not be honored unless accompanied by a certificate of vaccination. All applications for stalls and booths in public markets must be accompanied by such certificates or no notice will be taken of them. The name of no unvaccinated person shall be inscribed on the parish poor lists. Submayors are to visit and inspect all houses and enforce vaccination; and finally, the proprietors of hotels shall refuse to admit any one without proof of recent vaccination.

From all this it appears that the alcalde of Valencia is a veritable Lord Mayor, and means to have his people vaccinated. His motives are good, even though his "proclamation" reads a little as though it came out of the pages of Cervantes.

Back to Kansas

J. E. Thayer left yesterday for his home in Butler county, Kan. He has been in Decatur for a week superintending the work of tearing down the building formerly occupied by the Corrugated Iron Roofing company. The material in that building has been shipped to Butler county, Kas., and will be used in making cattle sheds on the big farm owned there by Thayer.

To Automobile Show

Ed Kellar and Floyd Needham went to Chicago Friday morning to attend the automobile show which is in progress there. Ed and Floyd have both demonstrated they know a thing or two about running autocycles and they want to study the field where there are all kinds of machines on exhibition.

TURTLE LIKED MUSIC

He Had Been Missing for Days, but Appeared When He Heard Violin

While hunting in the vicinity of Branchville, N. J., a month ago Henry Woodward of Newton, found a small specimen of land turtle which he placed in his hunting bag and took with him to his home. There the turtle walked out, and stretching his neck to its utmost limit, blinked blandly at the man and his wife. Mrs. Woodward laughed and promptly said, "Oh! We'll call him 'Rubberneck'," and he speedily became a household pet.

He was given a nice glass dish by the kitchen window, and there calmly floating about on a piece of wood he passed one happy week. Then he disappeared.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodward hunted high and low, but Rubberneck had dropped out of sight completely.

Mrs. Woodward yesterday sat down in the parlor and began to play on her violin. Over in the corner of the room she heard a slight rustle, and out from a music rack Rubberneck showed his head. Then he crawled over to where the musician sat. There he stopped, apparently charmed with what he heard, moving his head to and fro. When Mrs. Woodward stopped playing the turtle made for his retreat, but he was captured and again placed beside the kitchen window.

SHORTAGE IN COLE

Expert Completes the Work of Going Over the Books

George W. Fisher, the expert accountant employed by the board of supervisors at the December meeting to check up the officers of Coles county has completed his work and at a meeting of the board filed his report. The following amounts are set apart as due the county from various officers. William Byers, sheriff, $3189; C. C. Ingram, circuit clerk, $2175; A. C. Sellars, county clerk, $1768; D. C. Gannaway, treasurer, $1428.

The finding of Mr. Fisher created a sensation. The report, while it finds that these officers are indebted to the county, does not mean that the officials are short in their accounts, but that the law relative to fees and extra services has been misconstrued and funds misapplied. The supervisors referred the report to the committee, which employed Mr. Fisher, with instructions to give the officials time to verify the finding of the expert. The matter will be considered at a special meeting of the board March 28.

The officers are all up in arms and say they will fight the expert's findings in the courts, while the county court says that if they owe it they shall pay.

TOOK UP COFFIN

To Settle Its Value and Satisfy Undertakers' Claim

Ottawa, Ohio, March 7.—One of the most remarkable cases on record, in which trouble arose over the settlement of funeral expenses, is that connected with the death of Anton Kramer, a rich bachelor farmer of this county, who died recently.

Barney Vogel, with whom Kramer was staying at the time of his death, had been reared by the old man, and came into possession of his property. Desirous of showing in his last act toward the dead benefactor a proper appreciation of his goodness, Vogel ordered from a local undertaker the best casket in the establishment.

It is alleged that nothing was said at the time concerning the price to be paid, but when it came to the settlement the undertaker presented a bill for $360.

It was considered an exorbitant charge and Vogel's friends thought he had been imposed upon. No satisfactory adjustment could be reached so the body was exhumed and two undertakers from another town were called upon to pass judgment on the worth of the burial equipment. They examined the casket and claimed that it could be furnished at a profit for $100.

The friends then agreed to settle for $150, but the undertaker would not compromise.

FLOATS THE FLAG

Human Fly Sutherland Climbs St. Patrick's Steeple

The human fly had plenty of work to do yesterday. In the morning he lowered the cross from the St. Patrick's Catholic church. When the cross was lowered an American flag was put in its place and proudly floated in the breeze. The cross is to be bronzed and placed back in its place. The climbing of the steeple was a dangerous task and was one of the hardes, which Mr. Sutherland has encountered in this city. Mr. Sutherland last work until the rain stopped him was repairing the cornice on the First Presbyterian church. As this tower is one of the highest in the city there were many people looking at him.

Wanted at Centralia

A tramp giving the name of Will Wilson was arrested by the officers yesterday and held to await the arrival of Illinois Central officers, who will take him to Centralia, where, it is said, he is wanted for robbing box cars. Wilson came into police headquarters yesterday and asked permission to sell pins and needles on the street without paying a license fee. The police had already received notice from Centralia that Wilson was headed this way and was wanted in that city for robbing box cars. Wilson admitted having been in Centralia but denied that he was guilty of theft.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

SILVER WEDDING

Of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Graves Celebrated Last Night

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Graves celebrated their silver wedding anniversary in a beautiful way at their home, 1021 West King street, last night. Many of those who had been present at the original wedding were there to help in the celebration. The house was decorated. Mr. and Mrs. Graves were married in the year 1877 at 1304 East Eldorado street by the Rev. N. S. Haynes, then pastor of the First Caristian church. The wedding was elaborately celebrated. Among the guests who were present at the wedding and were present last night were: Judge Nelson, Mrs. James Everitt, Mrs. Dora McDaniel, Mrs. George Robbins, Ed Adams, Mrs. Geo. Nitche, Miss Mollie Hoagland, Mrs. Minnie Eldridge and Carrol Edds, father of the bride.

FOUR GENERATIONS.

Four generations were present at the celebration last night. Carrol Edds, great grandfather; Mrs. J. W. Graves, his daughter; Mrs. H. R. Griswold, Mrs. Graves' daughter and J. C. Griswold, Mrs. Griswold's son. The great-grandfather is in prime health and was among the guests, as jolly and as spry as in days of yore.

The supper was served in two courses. One long table set in the dining room accommodated the near relatives and friends. There was a number of out of town guests present and the neighbors gave the couple a charivari.

THE PRESENTS.

The presents were handsome. Every kind of beautiful pieces of silverware could be found on the dresser, which was piled with presents.

WILL PROVE IT

Chief Sullivan is Willing to Demonstrate for People From Missouri

Chief Sullivan or the members of the police force who have used the formaldehyde fumigator where there has been contagious disease, have been criticised for the way they do the work. In some instances the house or room to be fumigated has been closed and the disinfecting fumes forced into the room through the keyhole. Some persons are not satisfied with that plan. They insist that the police officers should grapple with each individual germ, force the spout of the fumigator down the throat of the offender and then turn on the steam until the germ howls "Enough!" and promises to go away and do business no more forever in Decatur. That is the plan some persons, who have no personal knowledge of the strength of the fumigator, insist should be adopted. Sullivan says that he will seek out each individual germ and fumigate it to the death if, after trial, the kicker or suggester says the present plan is not effective. The proof of the present plan is this: The man of suggestions is to be locked up in a room and a spray of the formaldehyde gas is to be turned in through the keyhole. Sullivan says if that fails to satisfy the kicker the board of health will then adopt the plan of rounding up each individual germ and giving it to him until he asks for mercy.

EXPERIMENTING

New Sand Box is In Use by Traction Company

The Traction company is experimenting with a new sand box for the cars. The first one was installed a few days ago upon car No. 31 running on the Riverside line. The device consists of a cylindrical magazine holding about 15 gallons of sand, connected with a delivery tube and spout which dumps the sand on the rail. The magazine is placed to the left of the controller box and the sand is released by a lever placed between the controller and the brake. Only one rail is sanded, but this is sufficient here, as there are no very bad grades on the line. It is probable that others will be placed on cars of the different lines.

Challenge Springfield

The High Bowlers met at the Pastime alleys yesterday afternoon. Most of the young ladies now appear in sweaters and present a most striking appearance. The uniform color is white. A game will be played with Brown's Business college during the fore part of the week. A challenge has also been sent to the Naughty Blues of Springfield for a contest to be held here. If the Springfield team accepts the game will be bowled at the Pastime alleys. They have not fully decided whether an admission will be charged or not, but it is more than probable that such a move will be taken.

Milam Republicans

The republicans of Milam township will meet in convention at Milam Center, Saturday, March 15, 1902, at 2 o'clock sharp, for the purpose of nominating candidates for town officers.

The primary will be held at the blacksmith shop of Wm. Ekiss, Tuesday, April 1. Polls open from 7 a. m. to 5 p. m.

O. M. BARBER,
Chairman.

Going to Bement

Superintendent Gastman will conduct the regular monthly grade meeting at the high school this morning. The first years will meet from 8 to 8:45 and the other grades will follow in their order, each grade meeting forty-five minutes. At the close of the meeting E. A. Gastman will leave for Bement to look after affairs on his farm.

For Congress

Captain J. H. Rowell, who one time represented this district in congress, is a candidate for the republican nomination in the Seventh district.

BLACK IS DEAD

Man Who Suffered a Broken Back Dies of His Injuries.

END CAME VERY SUDDENLY

William Black, who had his back broken about two weeks ago while driving a load of hay into the Morgan street hose house, died very suddenly and unexpectedly at St. Mary's hospital Wednesday afternoon.

He had been getting along nicely and there seemed no reason which would prevent his complete recovery. Dr. Will C. Wood, his physician, saw him about 3 o'clock Friday afternoon and there was no indication that anything was wrong with him then. He was cheerful and said he felt pretty well. Black's wife was with him when he died at about 3:30 o'clock. He had just raised his head from the pillow and asked her for a drink and as she turned for the glass of water on the table by the bed, he fell back dead. The doctors state that his death was probably due to an embolism or blood clot.

The remains were taken to the undertaking parlors of C. E. Dawson & Co. and will probably be removed today to Warrensburg, where they expect to hold the funeral Sunday.

William Black was 45 years old and had been a resident of this county for the greater part of his life. He was married in 1880 to Miss Effie Bullard and resided between Warrensbug and Bearsdale. Besides his wife, four children survive him, Charles, Mabel, Lester and Oliver. He also leaves two brothers and three sisters.

FUNERALS.

EARL ERISMAN.

The funeral of Earl, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Erisman, was held Friday afternoon from the residence on Calhoun street. Rev. C. A. Thorn, pastor of the United Brethren church, conducted the services and the interment was at Greenwood cemetery.

FRANKIE TRAUGHBER.

The funeral of Frankie, the three-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Traughber, was held Friday afternoon from the family residence on Morgan street. The services were conducted by Rev. T. D. Weems and the music was furnished by a quartet composed as follows: Misses Chandler and Wheeler and Mesdames Caw and Bashford. The interment was at Greenwood cemetery.

MRS. W. A. DENNIS.

The funeral of Mrs. W. A. Dennis will be held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the First Methodist church. Rev. C. E. Gibbs will officiate. Friends may call at the residence, 715 West Packard street, Sunday morning between 10 o'clock and noon.

Deeds Recorded.

Garrett Stoutenborough to J.H. Stoutenborough, life estate, the northeast quarter of section 8, township 18, range 2 east; $1.

Evaline L. Still to William E. Wallace, the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of section 7 and the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section 8, township 17, range 4 east; $3000.

Fannie Kepler to William Heil, the northeast quarter of section 12, township 18, range 2 east; $15,000.

W. F. Pickle to Capitola M. D. Dodwell, lot 9 in block 1 in Park Place addition to Decatur; $1000.

David L. Nickey to James W. Downs, lot 10 in the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter of section 10, township 17, range 4 east; $1300.

Harvey R. Allison to David M. Allison, one-third interest in three acres in the north side of the southwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section 18, township 17, range 1 east; $65.

Francis G. Winslow to George E. Klick, 123 acres in the southwest quarter of section 7, township 17, range 1 east; $9530.

Thomas L. Waddell to W. A. Waddell, the west half of the southeast quarter of section 10, the west half of the northeast quarter of section 15, and the north half of the west half of the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of section 22, township 16, range 1 east, $1700.

Garrett Stoutenborough to William B. Stoutenborough, life interest in the east half of the northeast quarter and the north half of the southeast quarter of section 20, township 18, range 2 east; $1.

Garrett Stoutenborough to John L. Stoutenborough, a life interest in the northeast quarter of section 16, township 18, range 2 east; $1.

She Glode to the Altar

A Litchfield paper in describing a swell wedding this week threw the following spasm: "The church was hushed in silence as the invited guests, realizing the importance of the moment, awaited anxiously the coming of the bride. The wedding march had just reached its sweetest and softest tune, when the bride, leaning on the arm of her sister, with fairly-like glides, reached the altar."

"Fairy-like glides" is good, besides it's nice. Some brides trot or pace or canter up to the altar, some single-foot, some fox-trot, some gallop and some go lumbering up the aisle like a cow. It's a heap nicer to get there with fairy-like glides.—Hillsboro News.

O. K. CLUB.

The O. K. club has taken rooms over the Fruitt grocery store on West Main street. Their rooms were formerly over the Bartlett store.

SCORES FOUR HUNDRED

Minot J. Savage Goes After Their Vulgar Jewels

New York, March 7.—Dr. Minot J. Savage lectured in the Church of the Messiah on "Home and Society," saying, in part:

"There is in New York that which calls itself, par excellence, society. It is made up of the 400, or, I think, some recent authority has been reducing it to 150. I do not mean to say anything against the persons who constitute this interior organization in society. Many of them are noble, intellectually cultivated, charitable and generous; but a society that is organized around the idea of wealth alone must of necessity be ignoble and vulgar; there is nothing in the highest and finest sense of the word human merely in the possession of wealth, and if these people who meet together and constitute a certain section of society merely because they are wealthy will excuse me for not wanting to be with them I will freely pardon them for not asking me.

"I was at the opera house the other night and I saw one woman who illustrates what this sort of thing comes to when it degenerates and gets itself perfect expression. I have never seen anything outside a show at Tiffany's that in any way suggested this woman. It was barbaric. She had the air of telling everybody that she had not come there to hear the music, but merely to be looked at, and she was loaded and hung all over, in every possible place, with diamonds and gems and jewels of every kind.

"Now, we can forgive an Indian or a Fiji Islander his anklets and bracelets, his noserings and earrings, because he has not, presumably, been developed to anything higher than these, but the type of society whose distinguishing feature is that kind of thing certainly is not human in the true sense in which that word ought to be used.

"I have known women to belong to three or four whist clubs and spend half the week, perhaps more, in playing whist. The same thing is true in religious matters. There are people who go through religious forms and ceremonies, having their emotions touched and played upon, who really think they are engaged in religious exercises, who never do a religious thing. All their powers and emotions are spent in this way, while they really do nothing to help mankind."

TRYING TO BOOM IT

The Loving Mine Project was Almost Forgotten

An effort is under way to put new life in the coal mine project at Lovington. Many months ago a prospect bore was made and a vein of coal tapped. This vein was nine feet thick and an analysis demonstrated that it was of fine quality. The promoters secured free of charge coal rights beneath 5000 acres of land. Some little attention was given to the organization of a company, but it lagged and finally nothing was heard of it. Now the project is being revived. Wednesday night a crowd of Lovington folks went to Sullivan on a special train to hear speeches on the benefits that might be derived if the shaft was sunk. The Lovington people have subscribed for stock to the value of $40,000 and the wish is to sell that much more.

A Timely Topic

In reporting the proceeding of the last meeting of the city council in that city the Sullivan Democrat says:

The most important business considered was the proposition of S. B. Hall to sell the city some clocks to register the whereabouts of night watchmen. This is an investment the city ought to make since it has gone into the night watch business so extensively. A watchman's clock on each side of the square would only cost $32 and as the watchmen would have to keep awake in order to register, the city authorities would know that life and property would be secure. By all means get four clocks and four watchmen so that each watch will have a clock and each clock will have a watch. This arrangement will prevent the watchmen from sleeping and prevent the clocks from being stolen. Do it, gentlemen, if the clock makers and "watch" makers have to work overtime to fill orders.

Rural Route Weather Signals

A telegram from Chattanooga says: Weather bureau and postoffice officials in this city have been instructed from Washington to make an official test of a system which, it is expected, will lead to the adoption of weather signals for the rural districts served by mail carriers.

When the first rural delivery route was established out of this city Postmaster Sharp and Weather Observer Pindell bought a series of weather signals and placed them on the mail wagons, the signals corresponding to those displayed by the weather bureau. The plan was appreciated and the officials here reported the fact to Washington. The order came today to use similar signals on wagons of another route and to make a report.

Critically Ill

Dr. Charles W. Gambrille, the Eldorado street dentist, who has been confined at the St. Mary's hospital for some time, was dangerously ill last night and his friends feared that he would not live through the night. Dr. Gambrille has been sick for some time, but has not been regarded as dangerously ill until within the last few days.

During the year just closed the Canadian Pacific railroad deposited on the Canadian shores of the great lakes a little less than 30,000,000 bushels of wheat. The previous year the amount handled by the same road was only 6,000,000.

THE FOURTH PLEA

Agnes Stoneburner Has Finally Divorced Her Husband, Levi of Moweaqua

THE HINSELEY-BROWN CASE

Margaret Harris Charges George K. Harris with Cruelty and Asks for Separate Maintenance—Friday in Court

Agnes has at last been granted a decree of divorce. No doubt she could have secured it long before this if she had not changed her mind before the case came to trial. Last evening after the trial case had been adjourned for the day Judge Vail heard the evidence in the case of Agnes Stoneburner vs. Levi Stoneburner and the decree was granted. There was no contest. The woman asked for alimony and the custody of her children. The question of alimony was settled out of court.

The petition on which the case was heard yesterday was the third that Redmon & Hogan had filed for the woman. Twice, after filing a plea for a divorce, she relented and dismissed the suit. It is said that before she engaged Redmon & Hogan as her attorneys she filed one plea for divorce, so that the one finally heard was the fourth.

The charge against the defendant was that he was guilty of drunkenness and that he had been faithless to his marriage vows. The defendant is an employe at the Moweaqua coal shaft.

GENERAL DENIAL.

Friday the circuit court was occupied with the case of Hiseley et al vs. Brown. The plaintiffs are the father-in-law and mother-in-law of the defendant. They charge that they have a claim against Brown for $2500. This claim arises from what they assert was the care they gave to Brown's wife, their daughter. The plaintiffs declare that Brown assaulted his wife and injured her shoulder and that she came to their home where she was nursed and cared for for five years. Brown and his wife now live in Minnesota. The plaintiffs have attached some property owned by Brown in an effort to get what they claim is due. The defense wanted the case dismissed when all of the proof for the plaintiffs had been offered, but that was overruled by the court. The defense has called a number of witnesses to the stand to impeach the reputation of Brown for truthfulness. Some of the witnesses for the defense have hit him rather hard in that regard.

This case will be concluded this forenoon, but it is likely that nothing beyond motions no other business will be heard. The docket orders entered follow:

LAW.

Lizzie Houseley et al. vs. Michael Brown; attachment. Trial by jury. Suit dismissed as to Alice Brown. Leave to amend bill of particulars. Motion to exclude and instruct to find for defendant at close of proof by plaintiff. Motion overruled and exceptions.

John Clark vs. G. B. Harris et al.; transcript. Motion by plaintiff to set aside judgment, vacate and quash execution.

CHANCERY.

Agnes Stonebreaker vs. Levi Stonebreaker; divorce. Cause heard by court and decree.

CHARGES CRUELTY.

Friday Margaret Harris filed a bill asking for a decree of separate maintenance from her husband, George K. Harris. She charges extreme and repeated cruelty and says that he has neglected to properly support her, although well able to do so. The couple were married at Galesburg on March 16, 1897, and she says that she lived with him until compelled by his cruel treatment to leave. She asks for alimony and the custody of their son, Ralph, who is three years old this month. In answer to her prayer the court granted an injunction restraining Harris from selling or encumbering his personal property until the cause could be heard.

Other Cases of Cruelty

As a sequel to the story which was printed in the Herald Friday morning about a number of horses and mules which had been taken care of by the humane society, another case appeared yesterday. The police also took a hand in crushing the suffering of dumb animals and landed several teams which were left out in the cold rain into a warm barn. In every case where the animals were neglected the cause was from the owners being drunk. Officer Meridith gathered up a team of horses on East Main street which had been left all afternoon in the rain. The animals were taken to the Baker barn.

Land Owner Now

W. G. Barnes, who has lived as a tenant for twenty-six years on the farm northwest of the city belonging to the Fenton estate, has moved to a forty acre tract, two miles north and a half mile west of the city. He recently bought that land. Mr. Barnes expects to continue to run a garden patch and raise fruit. The farm to which he has just moved already contains a considerable amount of fruit.

DEATH RECORD.

MRS. NELLIE UHIRCH.

Mrs. Nellie Uhrich died of pneumonia at 10 o'clock Friday night at the home of her grandfather, William Evans, 626 West Wood street. She was about 26 years of age and is survived by her husband and four children. The time of the funeral has not been fixed, but the interment will be at Salem.

She—Don't you think my biscuits are gems, my dear?

He—I do. You ought to put them in soak.

Did you ever hear of Prescription FOUR THOUSAND? Well, it is a remedy specifically prepared to cure Rheumatism or Gout. Druggists sell it for $1.00 a bottle.

Lots of men who wouldn't be seen carrying a market basket will walk through the streets with a string of fish in one hand and a pole in the other.

The results of an over-indulgence in food or drink are promptly rectified, without pain or discomfort, by taking a few doses of HERBINE. Price 50 cents. John E. King and Frank Swearingen.

No woman feels that she is quite a successful wife until she has persuaded her husband to take out a life insurance policy.

You can be cheerful and happy only when you are well. If you feel "out of sorts" take HERBINE, it will brace you up. Price 50 cents. John E. King and Frank Swearingen.

"Father, is it correct to say a storm is brewing?"

"No, my son, it never rains anything but water."

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That is all Sennewald's Prescription FOUR THOUSAND will cure. But it cures them. For sale by druggists. Price, $1.00.

He—Those two people in the far corner appear happy. Are they married?

She—Yes, but not to each other.

The signature of E. A. Sennewald & Co. is on every bottle of Prescription FOUR THOUSAND, the never-failing cure for Rheumatism or Gout. For sale by druggists, $1.00.

The young man who would take life easy should be careful to select a wealthy and influential father.

If your child is cross or peevish, it is no doubt troubled with worms. WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE will remove the worms, and its tonic effect restore its natural cheerfulness. Price, 25 cents. John E. King and Frank Swearingen.

A bad boy seldom gets his badness from his father. The old man usually hangs on to all he has.

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LIVERITA, the up-to-date Little Liver Pill, 5c boxes contains 15 pills, 10c boxes contain 40 pills, 25c boxes contain 100 pills. Sold by John E. King, Decatur, Illinois.

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Prof. Wagner gives the total population of the world as 1,424,000,000; Kolb as 1,250,000,000. A square mile in Europe contains 1719, in Asia 1,014, in Africa 308, in America 114, and in Australia and Polynesia 29 human beings.

Much pain and uneasiness is caused by piles, sparing neither age nor sex. TABLER'S BUCKEYE PILE OINTment cures the most obstinate cases. Price 50 cents in bottle, tubes 75c. John E. King and Frank Swearingen.

Mrs. Virginia Waterman, a woman 60 years old, is at present a student at the Northwestern university in Evanston, Ill. She expects to take a full college course, entering Cornell at her graduation at Evanston. She is the oldest college "girl" on record.

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Have you a cough? A dose of BALLARD'S HOREHOUND SYRUP will relieve it. Price, 25 cents and 50 cents. John E. King and Frank Swearingen.

The Venetian palace in which Robert Browning died is offered for sale. It is said to be worth less than $40,000. Venetian palaces must be somewhat of a drug on the market, notwithstanding the recent importations of them to Boston.

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PRIMARIES TO

The Plan in Det the Committ Show

The republican county cen mittee met at the court house afternoon and decided that the to name delegates to the coun tion should be held on Tuesda and that the county convention held on the first Monday April 7.

Briefly that was the bu about two hours were consum posing of the question. There interest in the meeting and a number of prominent repub candidates for office who had be present during the session were barred from the room. the first work of the committe the spectators to go away. only one absentee, Owen Ba lard.

The members in attendance follows: Decatur, W. H. Blac for Arthur Gallagher; Robert Bert Bobb, F. C. Robb, H. C sey, Jacob Keller as proxy Midkiff, Thomas Quinn, Geo I. R. Mills as proxy for D. A F. Wills, Ed Allen, Rudolph John Wheat, James Harrison len as proxy for Latty; to Sp Peniwell and D. C. Corley.

From the country: Austin lin; Blue Mound, Ed Jokis Creek, E. H. Orr; Harrist Holmes; Hickory Point, R. I ini, Charles Husting; Lou Williams; Maroa, Charles G and James Lichtenberger; N B. Scott; Niantic, W. T. W W. C. Rutley; Macon, Ed Wheatland, N. E. Stickler; J. H. Moothart. At large, R and Shadrick Kemp of Deca

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I. R. Mills presented and for holding the primaries a that it be acted on section and moved the approval of tion, which provided that th should be held on the first April. John Allen offered an that the section be amended out the date on which the should be held, leaving the tral committee to name the amendment was lost by a v 19, and then by the same tion of I. R. Mills prevailed

On the motion to adopt th tion, John Allen offered as his plan for holding the prim varied principally from leavi blank and a few minor substitute was rejected by to 20.

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That fair and impartial primaries may be secured nation of county officers t est possible vote at the sion of republicans, as to candidates, may be had, candidates possessing gre strength may be nominated ing method for holding of s is hereby adopted:

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LIVERITA, the up-to-date Little Liver Pill, 5c boxes contains 15 pills, 10c boxes contain 40 pills, 25c boxes contain 100 pills. Sold by John E. King, Decatur, Illinois.

I can never tolerate a man who fails to acquire an education or who never gets a dollar ahead, but I soon grow tired of a person who does not have sense enough to have a good time.

E. A. Sennewald & Co. of St. Louis prepare Prescription FOUR THOUSAND, a scientific internal preparation which cures only Rheumatism or Gout. Druggists sell it for $1.00.

Prof. Wagner gives the total population of the world as 1,424,000,000: Kolb gives 1,250,000,000. A square mile in Europe contains 179, in Asia 1,014, in Africa 308, in America 111, and in Australia and Polynesia 20 human beings.

Much pain and uneasiness is caused by piles, scaling together are not few. TARLER'S BUCKLYE PILE OINTMENT cures the most obstinate cases. Price 50 cents in bottle, tubes 75c. John E. King and Frank Swearingen.

Mrs. Virginia Waterman, a woman 60 years old, is at present a student at the Northwestern university in Evanston, Ill. She expects to take a full college course, entering Cornell at her graduation at Evanston. She is the oldest college "girl" on record.

The success of Prescription FOUR THOUSAND is phenomenal, because it is a reliable remedy in Rheumatism or Gout, and can be depended upon to give relief at least an absolute cure. For sale by druggists. Price, $1.00.

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The Venetian palace in which Robert Browning died is offered for sale. It is said to be worth less than $40,000. Venetian palaces must be somewhat of a drag on the market, notwithstanding the recent importations of them to Boston.

Dr. Bull's Cures all Throat and Lung Affections. COUGH SYRUP Get the genuine. Refuse substitutes. IS SURE Salvation Oil cures Rheumatism. 15 & 25 cts.

DATE OF CONVENTION

Is Fixed by the Republican County Central Committee For Monday, April 7.

PRIMARIES TOWNSHIP ELECTION DAY

The Plan in Detail as Finally Adopted by the Committee---Much Interest Was Shown in the Meeting.

The republican county central committee met at the court house Saturday afternoon and decided that the primaries to name delegates to the county convention should be held on Tuesday, April 1, and that the county convention should be held on the first Monday following, April 7.

Briefly that was the business but about two hours were consumed in disposing of the question. There was a big interest in the meeting and there were a number of prominent republicans and candidates for office who had expected to be present during the session, but they were barred from the room. That was the first work of the committee, inviting the spectators to go away. There was only one absentee, Owen Barber of Mt. Zion.

The members in attendance were as follows: Decatur, W. H. Black as proxy for Arthur Gallagher; Robert Williams, Ben Eddy, P. C. Roby, H. Clay Dempsey, Jacob Keller as proxy for Harry McRaff, Thomas Quinn, George Smith, I. R. Mills as proxy for D. A. Mattit, E. P. Wills, Ed Allen, Rudolph Potrafka, John Wheat, James Harrison, John Allen as proxy for Lafayette Shelley, Mont Pedwell and D. C. Corley.

From the country: Austin, C. D. Nowlin; Blue Mound, Ed Jokisch; Friends Creek, E. H. Orr; Harristown, J. P. Holmes; Hickory Point, R. L. Albin; Illini, Charles Hastings; Long Creek, J. Williams; Macon, Charles G. Persinger and James Lichtenberger; Mt. Zion, C. B. Scott; Niantic, W. T. Wree; Oakley, W. C. Burley; Macon, Ed Willoughby, Wheatland N. E. Stickle; Whitmore, J. H. Moothart. At large, Robert Rogan and Shadrick Kemp of Decatur.

I. R. Mills suggested that as some of the committeemen living in the country were likely to leave for their homes before the work was completed, they be authorized to name one of the members who remained to serve as proxy. W. H. Black suggested that the motion be laid on the table, but that was lost by a vote of 28 to 8.

I. R. Mills presented and read a plan for holding the primaries and suggested that it be acted on section at a time, and moved the approval of the first section, which provided that the primaries should be held on the first Tuesday of April. John Allen offered an amendment that the section be amended by striking out the date on which the primaries should be held, leaving the county central committee to name the date. The amendment was lost by a vote of 16 to 20, and then by the same vote the motion of I. R. Mills prevailed.

On the motion to adopt the second section, John Allen offered as a substitute his plan for holding the primaries which varied principally in leaving the date blank and a few minor details. The substitute was rejected by a vote of 13 to 20.

The next effort at amendment came on section five which had been passed until the last, and the amendment was agreed to. That section originally provided that "In the event that any vote is challenged or any vote is cast by any person whose name is not upon the poll book as a republican, such vote shall be numbered by the judge." The amendment agreed to was the striking out of all words after "challenged" to and including "republican."

John Allen suggested that the day of the convention be the day following the primaries, but that was amended so that the convention shall be held on the Monday first following the Tuesday of the primaries.

The committee decided that the convention which meets to nominate candidates for the county ticket shall also name delegates to the senatorial, congressional and state conventions.

John Allen moved, seconded by Quinn, that the action of the committee be ratified, which was done unanimously.

THE APPROVED PLAN.

The plan of holding the primaries, as presented by Mr. Mills, and finally approved by the committee, was as follows:

That fair and impartial republican primaries may be secured for the nomination of county officers; that the largest possible vote and the fullest expression of republicans, as to the choice of candidates, may be had, and that the candidates possessing greatest popular strength may be nominated the following method for holding of such primaries is hereby adopted:

1. That hereafter republican primaries for the nomination of county officers shall be held in each election precinct in the county on the first Tuesday of April, preceding the holding of the county convention, in the manner hereinafter provided, at which each republican voter of such precinct shall have the right to cast one vote for one candidate for each office to be filled.

2. Such primary shall be held by the chairman of the precinct and one clerk to be appointed by him, and shall be held at or as near the township polling place as possible and be kept open for the receiving of ballots from 7 a. m. to 5 p. m., and it is hereby made the special duty of such chairman to see that said primary is conducted strictly according to the requirements of these resolutions, provided he may appoint some well qualified and suitable republican to act as judge of such primary in his place.

3. No one shall be permitted to vote at such primary except well known republicans, legal voters of such precinct. If the name of such voter is not upon the last revised poll book of said precinct as a republican, he shall not be permitted to vote, unless he make statement in writing that he is a republican and a legal voter of said precinct.

4. The secretary of this committee shall prior to said primaries prepare from the last revised poll books certified lists of republicans of the several precincts as shown by said poll books for the use of the chairman in the conduct of such primaries, together with all the necessary blank statements, poll lists, certificates, and official ballots, the expense of which shall be paid out of the candidate fund.

5. That it is made the duty of said clerk of said primaries to take and write down upon his blank poll list, to be furnished by the secretary of this committee, the names of all persons voting at said primary and number said names consecutively in the order upon which they are placed upon said poll list. In the event that any vote is challenged, such vote shall be numbered by the judge with the number opposite the name of such person as recorded by the clerk.

6. Immediately upon the close of the polls, the judge and clerk shall immediately canvass and count said ballots and publicly declare the result of said primary, whereupon they shall make out a certificate of the result of said primaries, showing the number of votes each candidate received and forward the same by mail, together with the poll list of voters, to the secretary of this committee, whose duty it shall be to tabulate the returns from the several districts of the county for the convenience and information of the convention, and place on file said poll lists for the future use of the committee and the information of the party.

7. Immediately after said ballots are counted they shall be strung upon a string, securely tied and sealed, and then placed in the ballot box, together with the statements taken at said primary, which shall then be locked and sealed and so returned to the secretary of this committee prior to the holding of the county convention, and immediately after the holding of said convention he shall burn said ballots without having examined or permitted any other person to examine the same; provided, said ballots shall be under the control of the convention in case of a contest or such committee as may be hearing the same.

8. A chairman of each district shall also be elected at such primary, the name of the candidate to be written by the voter at the bottom of the candidate ticket upon a blank to be left for that purpose and the candidate receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected and whose election shall be certified to the secretary of this committee as a part of the certification of result of said primary.

9. Every candidate shall have the right to have one representative present during the holding of said primary and while said ballots are being counted, who may challenge any vote he may regard illegal.

10. Any person wishing to become a candidate for any county office shall, at least ten days prior to the holding of said primaries, notify the secretary of this committee in writing of such purpose and pay such secretary the sum of $10 to defray the necessary expenses of holding said primaries.

11. At least two days prior to the holding of said primaries, the secretary of this committee shall have printed the official candidate ballot, upon which shall be placed the names of all the persons, from whom he has received such notice of candidacy and the sum of $10, arranged under the heads of the office to which they aspire and in the order of the receipt of such notice, which shall become the official candidate ballot to be used and voted at said primaries. He shall place in each of said ballot boxes, ready to be delivered to the chairman of the precinct the day prior to said primaries, at least 500 of said ballots, together with the certified list of republican voters of such district, the necessary blank statements, poll lists, return certificates and seals for ballots and boxes.

12. Delegates to the county convention shall be elected by each district by ballot voted separate from the general ballot, but cast, counted, and the result thereof certified in the same manner as candidate ballots.

13. Any candidate or delegate may contest the result of the vote cast and returned in any election district by filing with the secretary of this committee, at least two days prior to the holding of said convention, a written notice of said contest, setting forth therein the particular grounds upon which said contest is made, and where such contest is made upon the ground that democrats or other persons not legally entitled to vote had voted at such primary, the names of such democrats or illegal voters must be given, together with the affidavits relied upon to support the same, which said notice and affidavits shall be open to the inspection of any other candidate or delegate interested in such contest, who in turn shall have the right to file any counter affidavits prior to the convening of the convention, and it is made the special duty of such secretary to place before the convention all the papers and documents relating to such contest, and such convention shall have the full power to hear and determine all such contests, and its decision shall be final and binding upon all the parties interested.

14. The candidate receiving the highest number of republican votes at said primary, as finally determined by said convention, shall be declared to be the nominee of the convention to the office for which he was voted.

15. The secretary of this committee is hereby empowered and directed to procure a ballot box with a suitable lock for each election precinct in the county, and have the same properly marked, each of said boxes to have two compartments; one for the receipt of candidate and the other delegate ballots; said ballot boxes to be paid for by this committee.

16. Each chairman shall certify to the secretary of this committee immediately after said primary is held, all the necessary expenses incident to the holding of said primaries in his precinct, including an allowance of $1.50 for judge and clerk; such expenses to be by such secretary audited and paid out of the candidate fund.

W. W. CONARD FOR SHERIFF

Well Known Constable Formally Gets Into the Race

W. W. Conard is announced this morning as a candidate for the republican nomination for sheriff. It has been known for a year past that Mr. Conard has been quietly canvassing for the office and has met with much encouragement. His active canvass began a few weeks ago and he started after the honor in a way that leaves no doubt that he is in earnest.

There is possibly no better known man in Decatur and Macon county than Will Conard, as he is familiarly known. For a number of years past he has occupied positions that have brought him in contact with the public. He was born and raised in this county and when a young man he served as a member of the famous old Rescue hose company from the time of its organization until its disbandonment. He is still a member of the Volunteer Firemen's organization and subject to the call of the chief at any time. Naturally this placed him in line for selection as a member of the paid fire department, in which he served until he became a member of the police department. Both of these positions called for courage in the execution of duty and this is a requirement that is certainly essential in a successful sheriff. As a member of the police force the records show that Mr. Conard arrested some of the most notorious crooks ever taken in this city.

Mr. Conard is perhaps best known as a constable, to which office he was elected about six years ago. The way he has handled that office is well known to business men. He has earned the reputation of being the most successful constable the township has ever had, and the foundation for that reputation was laid in prompt and faithful execution of matters entrusted to him. There has never been a time when he has not stood ready to accept and give earnest attention to business offered him.

As a collector he has never been equaled. That is the opinion of men who have had hard claims and have placed them in his hands. While Mr. Conard was not old enough to go to the war, his father served four years and the son is now a member of the Patriotic society, Sons of Veterans. His friends who are supporting him in this race are confident that his whole training fits him for the place. His experience as constable has given him an insight into the laws affecting the office of sheriff, and his acquaintance not only in this county but in adjoining counties strengthens his claim. In politics Mr. Conard has never been anything but a republican and at all times he has exerted himself to further its interests just as earnestly when his personal interests were not concerned as when he was a candidate himself. He is not allied to any clique and comes before the party asking support strictly on his loyalty to his party and the belief that he can discharge the duties of sheriff to the satisfaction of the whole people.

FOR COUNTY JUDGE

James O'Mara is Announced for an important Office

In this issue appears the announcement of James O'Mara as candidate for the office of county judge, Mr. O'Mara is a native of this state and for the past ten years a resident of Macon county during which time he has been a successful lawyer. Besides being an up-to-date lawyer, Mr. O'Mara has splendid judicial ability, a thing not possessed by all, even good lawyers. His friends and associates at the bar were quick to recognize this and insisted upon his accepting the office of justice of the peace, a position of no small responsibility in a city like Decatur. Being nominated in 1897 he was elected by a large majority. In 1901, as an endorsement on the part of the voters of the satisfactory manner in which he had discharged the duties of his office, he was again elected by a large majority, having received the vote of every delegate to the convention that nominated him. The highly satisfactory manner in which he has filled both terms of the office of justice of the peace is evidenced by the fact that many of his friends and associates earnestly requested him to make the race for the office to which he now aspires. Mr. O'Mara has not, as is the custom with many lawyers, elected to office, neglected his law work, but on the other hand has been studious and is now admittedly, one of the best read lawyers of the Macon county bar.

Mr. O'Mara belongs to no ring, machine or faction, but has always been a sincere and earnest republican from the standpoint of principle and not for personal advantage. His work in the past has been for the party and not to further his own personal interests. Mr. O'Mara, on every primary day and every election day, since he has been a resident of this county, has been at work at the polls, whether he was a candidate or not. His services has always been at the disposal of the republican county central committee. His ability upon the stump in 1896, 1898, and again in 1900 were greatly appreciated by the party. Many concede that Mr. O'Mara is one of the most popular and convincing political orators of the county.

If the republicans see fit to nominate him, his election is assured. The ticket will be strengthened and the office of county judge for the next four years will be administered by a man earnest, honest and capable.

Deeds Recorded.

Joseph M. Eaton to Louisa G. Wade, 2 acres in the east half of the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of 4, 16, 2 east; $2400.

Charles E. Head to Eugene Head, lot 10 in block 1 in B. H. Cassell's seventh addition to Decatur; $2400.

Warren D. Fogwell to G. M. Barnett, the west half of the northeast quarter of 12, 16, 1 east; $7360.

Rebecca J. Rigney to G. W. Rigney, lot 6 in block 3 in Rolling Mill addition to Decatur; $1.

Joseph Miehl to Margaret Ann Morgan, lots 1, 6 and 7 in block 3 in Lefforgee & Patterson's addition to Decatur; $625.

Eugene Head to Lillian L. Head: lot 10 in block 1 in B. H. Cassell's addition to Decatur; $1.

Erasmus M. Winegarver to Jonas E. Winegarver, 120 feet in V. Barber's resurvey, being on North Edward street; $200.

George W. Elliott to Thomas L. Bankson, lot 4 in block 5 in H. H. Wise's addition to Blue Mound; $175.

Joseph M. Eaton to Frank M. Aiken, 8 acres in the east half of the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of 4, 16, 2 east; $1000.

John Zollars to Maria Bottomfield, executor's deed to the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of 29, 15, 2 east; $3800.

Danger of Colds and La Grippe

The greatest danger from colds and la grippe is their resulting in pneumonia. If reasonable care is used, however, and Chamberlain's Cough Remedy taken, all danger will be avoided. Among the tens of thousands who have used this remedy for these diseases, we have yet to learn of a single case having resulted in pneumonia which shows conclusively that it is a certain preventive of that dangerous malady. It will cure a cold or an attack of la grippe in less time than any other treatment. It is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all druggists.

Married in Chicago

Cards have been received in Decatur announcing the marriage of Mrs. B. Jefferson to Charles H. Doane, both of Chicago. Mrs. Jefferson is the sister of Mrs. J. C. Millspaugh and Mrs. Frank Shaffer of Decatur.

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SEALED VERDICT

Was Returned by the Jury in the Hinesley Brown Jury

In the circuit court Saturday the only business was the concluding of the Hinesley-Brown case, which went to the jury just before noon time. Last night about 9 o'clock the jurors returned a sealed verdict which will be read in open court Monday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. It is said that the verdict was for the defendant.

The docket orders entered were as follows:

LAW.

Lizzie Henesley et al vs. Michael Brown et al; attachment. Jury returned.

Rose Green vs. People's Savings and Loan association; trespass on the case. Suit dismissed at cost of plaintiff as per stipulation on file.

John C. Gannon vs. Joseph Stocks; trespass. Rule extended two days in which to give bond.

DOWN FIFTY-ONE FEET

New Coal Company is Through the Most Troublesome Vein of Sand

The Merchants and Manufacturers' Coal company is now down fifty-one feet. This fact gives them much encouragement. They have passed through a vein of twelve or fifteen feet of sand, but it was not as bad as the ones encountered in the other attempts to sink shafts, although on the same level. They had some trouble, but have weathered it and are now ready to tackle twenty-two feet of blue clay. After that they are likely to encounter more sand, but there is absolute confidence now that it can be handled all right.

While the work is being pushed along a little every day there is no attempt being made to rush it and will not be before spring has thoroughly opened.

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St. Patrick's Day

Elaborate arrangements are being made for the annual St. Patrick's day celebration by the members of the St. Patrick's Catholic church. Rev. Father Ducey of Marshall, who lectured here during the forty-hour devotion, will give the principal address of the evening. Some of the best talent in Illinois has been engaged to assist in the celebration. Several well known local speakers will also take part in the celebration.

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DEATH RECORD.

MISS NETTIE HINSDILL.

Miss Nettie Hinsdill, a ward of Dr. M. V. Lonergan, died at the family residence, 1053 West Decatur street, Saturday night after a year's illness of consumption. She had lived with the Lonergan family for the past sixteen years. Her parents both died of the same disease. She is survived by one sister, who is a ward of W. H. Carmean, living on South Webster street. The time of the funeral has not been announced, but will be held from the Cumberland Presbyterian church, probably Monday.

F. M. Montgomery died Friday night, March 7, of heart trouble, aged 72 years. He was born in Vermont, but had lived in Decatur for the last quarter of a century. He is survived by two children, Mrs. Leon Sullivan and W. L. Montgomery of this city and a granddaughter, Mrs. Robert Dallas of Danville.

The remains were brought to this city and taken to the home of his son at 451 Bradford street, whence the funeral will be held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The interment will be at Greenwood cemetery.

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Mrs. L. D. Barbey entertained about twenty of her young lady friends at her home, 1361 North Main street, last evening in honor of her sister, Mrs. C. Glover. Mrs. M. Farner and Mrs. W. McNabb assisted in receiving the guests. The evening was spent in a social way and at a suitable hour delicious refreshments were served, Carnations were given as souvenirs.

Mrs. C. E. Van Duson of Kilbourn, Wis., was afflicted with stomach trouble and constipation for a long time. She says: "I have tried many preparations but none have done me the good that Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets have." These tablets are for sale at all drug stores. Price 25 cents. Samples free.

Miss Nettie Drake has returned to the University of Illinois at Urbana after a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Drake.

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Governor Wood has again been called home to confer with the president in relation to Cuba, and it is thought the president expects to make final arrangement for the transfer of the island to the Cubans about the first of May.

Colonel Clark E. Carr has not been heard from for a long time, but he is now again in evidence as applicant for governor of the Danish West Indies. It is unnecessary to do to say that he has the proper qualifications for the job.

The president's daughter, Alice, has given up her visit to England to be present at the coronation of the king for the reason that Emperor William has invited her on that occasion to visit Berlin and this she could not do without giving the visit an official significance and so her contemplated visit to London has been wisely abandoned.

MOODY TO SUCCEED LONG

It is reported in political circles in Washington that Representative William Henry Moody of Haverhill, Mass., will be appointed secretary of the navy when John D. Long retires, as it is thought he will do between now and May 1.

The selection of Mr. Moody meets with universal approval, as he seems to be possessed of the very qualifications needed in a man at the head of the navy department. He is young, 48 last December, physically strong and alert, and is a man of brains and a good lawyer. He graduated from Harvard in 1876, was district attorney for the eastern district of Massachusetts from 1890 to 1895, and is a man of the very highest character, a hard worker and especially strong in will power.

Mr. Moody is a bachelor and has never been prominent in the so-called official society of Washington. He is, however, popular with his acquaintances, and has many very warm friends among the leading men in public life, particularly the members of the Massachusetts delegation, and is very highly regarded by President Roosevelt.

ALFONSO INCOMPETENT

In a letter mailed from Madrid on Wednesday the correspondent of the Daily Mail asserts that King Alfonso will possibly not ascend the throne for five years. He says there has been much talk for months among high personages concerning the necessity for prolonging the regency, owing to the inanimity of the young king to exercise the functions of sovereignty. It seems there is a project at the court to establish a sort of private king's council to be composed of Queen Regent Christina, the presidents of the senate and chamber of deputies, the cardinal archbishop of Toledo and the ex-president of the council of ministers.

Another report has it that the queen regent will prolong her functions for five years, while King Alfonso completes his education and travels. Much mystery surrounds the matter. The press, however, has sometimes discussed it. The Liberal of March 5 remarks that in order to prolong the regency it will be necessary to announce the incapacity of the king in accordance with article 71 of the constitution, which says when the king can not exercise his authority the cortes may consider the question of exercising a regency. The censor has prohibited the sending of telegraphic dispatches on the subject.

OUR CONSULAR SERVICE

The importance of our consular service is not generally appreciated among our people. A few days since James T. Dubois of Pennsylvania, who has served the government as a consul to Switzerland, appeared before the house committee on foreign affairs and gave some valuable information touching the necessity of having intelligent business men representing our business interests in foreign countries. He said:

"Educated and gentlemanly theorists, as little capable of discharging the practical duties of a consul as they would be of charging up San Juan hill on the gossamer wings of a butterfly would be the result if the plan for a strict civil service examination is provided for the examination of applicants for positions in the consular service."

It should be borne in mind that this statement was made by Mr. Dubois before the house committee on foreign affairs, which is considering the bill of Congressman Adams of Pennsylvania providing for reorganization in the consular service. The bill is identical with that framed by Senator Lodge and favorably reported to the senate. Its effect is expected to be, if adopted, the entire reorganization of the United States consular service, and placing it on a business-like and satisfactory basis.

Mr Dubois also presented some rather startling facts to the committee, showing the need of radical reforms in the direction of removing foreign clerks from the service and filling their places with Americans, men who have the interests of the United States at heart instead of being in sympathy with the foreign nations and foreign manufacturers. He also called attention in a forcible way to the miserly salaries paid by the United States government for its consular service. He cited an instance in which a little shrewd business sense and sympathy with the United States government had caused an increase in revenues that was almost as large as the entire appropriation for the consular service of this government.

There are 395 United States consular agencies abroad, and 200 of them are filled by foreigners. These agencies employ 180 clerks, and 120 of them are foreigners. In Germany 24 of the 40 United States vice and deputy consuls are of foreign citizenship. In the British empire there are 114 United States vice and deputy consuls, of which 83 are foreigners of different nationalities. These men, Mr. Dubois urged, are in social and commercial positions that prohibit their taking an active and energetic part in the extension of our trade, no matter how conversant they may be with the American trade aims and methods, which is rarely the case. The fees for these foreign members for the consular service for the last year amounted to more than $220,000, which, Mr. Dubois urged, should have been turned into the United States treasury. He cited several instances of unlawful extortion by vice consuls and stated that the instances were too common in the service.

Objection to the proposed increase in the pay of consular agents was answered most effectively by Mr. Dubois. He showed that while he was consul general at St. Gall, Switzerland, he increased the revenues on embroideries from that point alone on shipments to the United States more than $1,000,000 a year or within $75,000 of the entire annual cost of the United States consular service. Soon after he took up the question of imports from St. Gall he discovered wholesale frauds were being perpetrated by a system of undervaluation. He started an investigation and out of the first 500 invoices examined 361 were undervalued from 4 to 118 per cent. In the first twenty-four invoices examined only one gave an honest valuation. After a year's work the investigations showed that the shipments were almost invariably valued at their honest price. In one year the shipments of these goods to the United States amounted to more than $8,000,000, and by an honest system of work in the consular service the United States revenues were increased by more than $1,000,000. With honest Americans in the consular service, instead of foreigners, Mr. Dubois urged, the receipts from fees would support the service and the income to the government from tariff collections would amount to millions annually.

In closing Mr. Dubois urged that the consular service should be Americanized and kept Americanized; that decent salaries should be paid; that the fee system should be abolished and that some system of examination should be adopted which would make it possible to get good men into the service and keep them there.

The Adams bill provides that only citizens of the United States shall hereafter be eligible to the consular service. The bill has been very carefully considered by the committee, and will probably be favorably recommended.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat: Next Tuesday the republican caucus of members of the house of representatives will again consider the question of tariff concessions to Cuba. This has proven to be a big issue. One element of the people, which is represented by President Roosevelt and Governor General Wood, want to make a reduction of at least 50 per cent on Cuban sugar in compensation for favors from Cuba to imports from this country. Another ingredient of the population, which has the majority of the ways and means committee for a mouthpiece, would give a cut of about 20 per cent and no more. Still another, and the largest element of all, is against any favors to Cuba as a foreign state. The indications are that the last-named section of the American people will prevail. This is a decidedly interesting contest

The following republican county conventions in Central Illinois have been called for March: Macoupin county, 17; Moultrie, 17; McLean, 18; Livingston, 18; Douglas, 24; Peoria, 26. Piatt and Shelby counties have not yet called their conventions. Of the counties in our congressional district DeWitt, Champaign and Coles counties have held their conventions.

It is reported that special envoys have been sent to Springfield to get part of that campaign fund to use in the interest of the Lorimer patriots.

Judging from the swarms of rear admirals now on hand it may safely be accepted as time that a naval fight results in more admirals.

The improvement in the appearance of our sidewalks is already noticeable as the result of the anti-spit ordinance.

Mr. Schwab has the consent of his mind to serve another year as president of the steel combine at an advanced salary.

It is said the members of the kaiser's brass band were entirely satisfied with the Milwaukee beer and sausage and were reluctant to leave that city.

Senator Tillman, being from South Carolina, should be chivalrous and announce whom he has selected to undertake to do the president bodily harm when he visits Charleston.

Major Jenkins has been placed in a very annoying position by the Tillmans. He cannot accept the sword and the Tillmans, and, therefore, if he receives the sword at all it must be without the Tillmans.

The republicans in congress have not yet agreed upon a system for the relief of Cuba and it can be safely said that in dealing with the Cuban matter no principle of the party will be sacrificed nor will any American industry.

Chairman Rowe may have forgotten to call the state central committee together. He has been very busy recently whooping it up for the combine. Some one should remind him that this is the year for a state convention.

Bloomington Pantagraph: The action already taken by Champaign, Coles and DeWitt counties makes it practically certain that Colonel Warner will be nominated for congress in that district by acclamation. In view of the new territory over which Colonel Warner had to make his campaign his success may be considered a very flattering endorsement of his public record. The only opponent who offered against him was George R. Shawhan of Champaign, an excellent man, but even he withdrew in the county convention and joined in the unanimous endorsement of Colonel Warner. Nominations which come in this way have every appearance of popular approval and foreshadow certain success at the polls.

GETTING BACK TO SQUARE POLITICS

Hon. Charles H. Deere, who has taken charge of the campaign against the high handed methods attempted by the so-called Lorimer-Hopkins-Yates crowd speaking of the work, says:

"This committee contemplates a thorough organization of the state. One point I wish to make is this: The men who are in this movement are working for the advancement and welfare of the republican party. The movement is not in the interest of any candidates for United States senator, or of any man for any office whatever. It seeks to get back to first principles, and to that end it is opposed to the use of the party by a few men for their personal aggrandizement and ambitions.

"The principles we are working for were set forth in the letter of Senator Cullom and others to Speaker Sherman, and they are known all over the state. In order that these principles may find effective expression they must be enacted into the party platform, and to that end we are getting up this organization.

"This organization asks the people to send delegates to the state convention who are in favor of accomplishing these objects.

SOME CAMPAIGN METHODS

The Lorimer-Hopkins-Yates crowd started out to carry Sangamon county and have left nothing undone to accomplish that purpose. The county committee is absolutely in control of that machine. Every state employe about the capital and in the city was ordered into the trenches. The fund, collected from state appointees and employes, was opened and has been spent lavishly for Lorimerism. The opposition was given no quarter. It was not allowed a judge at the primaries, nor a man to witness the count of the ballots, and the primaries were held within two weeks from the time they were called by the committee. To meet such conditions as these, successfully, is next to impossible. In the contest in Sangamon county two years ago, controlled by Tanner, the opposition was given representation on the board that took and counted the votes and was permitted to witness the count. This only emphasizes the high-handed methods of the Lorimerites in this campaign against the will of the people.

They have not only chosen the methods of Chicago ward politicians in the country, in defiance of the people, but have resorted to a misrepresentation of the attitude of the president and those who are opposed to the Lorimer-Yates methods. The organ of this combine in Springfield prints in bold type that the Lorimer-Yates crowd stands for the nomination of Roosevelt in 1904, and that the opposition to it is against the nomination of President Roosevelt. This is a deliberate falsehood put out for the purpose of deceiving the voters. They not only do this, but go farther and declare that the president is behind the Lorimer-Hopkins-Yates crowd, notwithstanding that such an assertion is equivalent to a declaration that the president is a mountebank and a trimmer. The president has told Lorimer, Hopkins and Yates that he would take no part whatever in the contest in Illinois. These gentlemen reported that fact themselves, after their interview with him. Did they misrepresent him then or are they misrepresenting him now? Any person with average intelligence can answer the question correctly. The answer is obvious. The president occupies, as he should, a neutral position and has not and will not interfere.

Some three months ago the president promised that Mr. Hopkins might control one of the general appointments in the state. He named a man for assistant United States treasurer at Chicago, but the president could not consistently make the appointment and it was not made. Several days ago Mr. Hopkins named Dan Hogan for collector of internal revenue for southern Illinois, but Mr. Hogan proved objectionable and was not appointed. The appointment is still open and the president will no doubt keep his promise with Hopkins by appointing a man to this position, named by Hopkins, if the latter will select an acceptable man. When this is done no doubt the fact will be heralded over the state as an evidence that the president is behind Hopkins, when the original promise was purely an act of courtesy on the part of the president and had no reference to Hopkins' senatorial aspirations or the present campaign.

The chances are greater, however, if the Lorimer crowd keeps on putting the president in a false position, that Mr. Hopkins will fail in securing the appointment at all.

The real issue in the campaign is not whether Hopkins, Mason or Dawes shall go to the senate, but whether the methods to override the will of the people, adopted by the Lorimer-Hopkins-Yates crowd, and Mr. Rowe, chairman of the state central committee, shall prevail, or whether the people shall have a chance at naming their own candidates. It is whether by such methods Lorimer, Hopkins, Yates or any other person shall perpetuate themselves in office by forcing their own nomination by machine methods having its chief power in Chicago. The people of Macon county can not afford to permit themselves to be deceived in this matter. The position this county will take will be determined by the delegates elected on the day of the primaries to the county convention. No man opposed to the Lorimer-Yates methods should vote for delegates until he knows beyond any doubt that the delegates he votes for are against the Lorimer-Yates crowd and its methods.

AMERICAN ANTHRACITE COAL TEST

American coal is a failure in Europe. Exhaustive tests of the Yankee fuel have been made in Germany, Holland, Belgium, Sweden and Denmark. Sample cargoes of Pennsylvania anthracite imported by the court collier, Gustav Schulze, have proved that it produces 20 per cent more ash than Welsh coal. Attempts to utilize the American article by mixing it with Welsh coal were equally unsatisfactory.

Herr Schulze has notified the Philadelphia and Reading company that unless it is possible to export coal of a maximum ash quality, or 7 or 8 per cent, Yankee anthracite has no chance in the European market. Herr Schulze is keenly disappointed. He expected to market immense quantities and eventually to deliver German consumers from the bondage of the British mines. He further states that the higher prices caused by the Pennsylvania railroad's freight monopoly prohibits American bituminous coal from competing with Newcastle coal on the continent.

THE SHIP CANAL MUDDLE

It is now apparent that the effort to interpose the Panama canal route as more feasible at the opening of congress has seriously jeopardized isthmian canal legislation at this session of congress if it has not defeated it, for the session. Not long since it developed that the United States government could not obtain title to the Panama route after the Panama route had so far won favor in congress that it appeared the Nicaragua route stood but little show of selection. Senator Morgan was the only man of influence in congress that stood squarely and consistently for the Nicaraguan route. As soon as Nicaragua and Costa Rica discovered that the Panama proposition was about to fall through made their terms harder and it now seems probable that these governments have turned the trick upon us Yankees so completely that if it proves true that the Panama proposition cannot be carried through these governments will suggest their own terms and force the state department to accept them or abandon the isthmian canal scheme altogether. At present the indications are that a serious blunder has been made in taking up the Panama proposition at all.

CUBAN SUGAR TROUBLESOME

The latest from Washington is to the effect that the president has materially modified his views as to what we should do for Cuba. Cuba is a great producer of sugar and as it has gone into the independent government business as the result of our army and navy ridding it of its Spanish oppressor, it claims that the United States must further aid it in its new relation as an independent government by opening our markets free to its sugar. It happens, however, that millions of dollars have been invested in the sugar industry by our own people and they of course object to the admission of Cuban sugar free or upon any terms that would injure the home industry. Various plans have been suggested in congress for aiding Cuba without injuring our own industry. Congress has so far seriously disagreed in the matter and at present there seems to be no solution of the matter in sight so far as congress is concerned. For a time, it appeared, the president was inclined to push the matter with congress but the apparent uselessness of doing so has evidently caused him to hesitate at present at least. Cuba has no claims upon the United States. Cuba owes us everything; we owe her nothing. She can not give herself as free and strong a government as we can and if Cuba had, instead of going into the free government business asked for annexation the sugar question and the stability of the Cuban government would both be settled and settled right.

BRYAN OPPOSES HILL

Word comes from Lincoln, Neb., that W. J. Bryan has made it plain that he is opposed to David B. Hill as a democratic candidate for president and that he will fight him from start to finish. Mr. Bryan says the Manhattan club speech of the former senator shows that he is seeking the presidency. Mr. Bryan devotes several columns of next Friday's Commoner detailing his grievances against Mr. Hill and explains why he should be beaten for the nomination. He says Hill deserted him (Bryan) in 1896 and in 1900 he was a sulker and insincere. In this campaign he says he made speeches, but their influence can be measured by the fact that they secured neither the votes, the influence nor the contributions of those who are now most enthusiastic in support of his candidacy.

Mr. Bryan continues: "He is the favorite son of the reorganizing element in the democratic party. He is the special representative of those who have so completely forgotten the story of the prodigal son that they would place the parental homestead on wheels and start in hot pursuit of the wayward son, determined to compel the boy to eat fatted calf even if the husks have destroyed his taste for wholesome food. Mr. Hill is the leader of those who would make the democratic platform so nearly like the republican platform that a democratic victory, even if possible, would mean nothing to the people at large. If this change is to be made it can not be made at a high-priced banquet, it must be made by the voters of the party, and now that the voters are forewarned it behooves them to watch their organization and put none but the faithful on guard. The rank and file can not be corrupted or terrified and they must be relied upon to keep the party true to the people's interests."

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MAROA.

B. T. Trowbridge spent Sunday with his family in Maroa.

I. Hull of Wapella was in town Saturday.

John Hill of Waukesha, Wis., visited his mother and sister here this week.

Thomas Costello and wife left for Hot Springs, Ark., Monday where they will remain for several weeks.

I. A. Buckingham of Decatur was in town Tuesday.

Alma Schenck left for Chicago Tuesday evening where he will visit his brother and sister.

Reed Wilson of Mt. Pulaski has accepted a position with the Maroa News.

Charles Cross and Mrs. Minnie Dinger, both of this city were married in Bloomington Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Crouch have returned home from Chicago.

Several people from Forsyth attended the supper given by the Rebekahs on Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. D. N. Gray and Rose Miller went to Chicago this week. They will return home Saturday.

The Maroa fire department will give a ball at the opera house on the evening of the 15th of this month.

The cigarmakers and the band boys played a match game at the bowling alleys Wednesday evening which resulted in a victory for the cigarmakers.

Maroa has been visited this week by about all the prospective candidates for the county offices.

Mrs. Lydia E. Bates of Decatur was in town Saturday.

Miss Mary Barger went to Chicago this week to remain a couple of weeks.

Mrs. W. J. Compton visited in Decatur this week.

March 7.

MACON.

On last Sabbath morning much to the surprise of the congregation Rev. R. L. MacWherter of the Presbyterian church resigned as pastor. Mr. MacWherter has accepted a call from the First Presbyterian church of Tolono, Ill., and will take charge there on the 16th inst. The farewell sermon will be preached at Macon on next Sabbath evening. Mr. and Mrs. MacWherter made many friends in Macon and it is with great regret these friends see them leaving Macon, yet they wish them all success in their new field.

Arthur Fleming has purchased the old Zollars home in the southeast part of town and moved this week. Walter Glenn has bought Mr. Fleming's home and will move into it at once.

Mrs. John Zollars entertained the ladies of the Presbyterian Missionary society on Wednesday afternoon, serving a very inviting and delightful luncheon after the regular business had been disposed of. The meeting was one of the largest and most interesting held by this wide awake society. Many regrets were expressed that Mrs. MacWherter, the vice president could not meet with them again.

Mrs. Turner gave a very delightful entertainment to a select company of her friends at the "Club Rooms" on Tuesday evening. After the pleasant social at the "Club Rooms" a fine supper was enjoyed at the hotel.

A. Willard moved to his new home east of town this week.

Prof. Patton of Waynesburg, Penn., delivered a very pleasing prohibition speech at the "Tab" on Wednesday evening to a very good house full of people. Mr. Patton is a fine speaker, kindly in spirit, forceful and clear in all his statements. There was not one unkind word spoken against any party or any man in all his speech, while his views on the great question of Prohibition of the liquor traffic was placed before the minds of his hearers in such a pleasing manner as to win the sympathy of those opposed to his way of thinking and acting.

March 7.

BLUE MOUND.

Rev. W. L. Bankson was called to conduct the funeral services of W. W. Law at the Salem Baptist church, near Decatur Thursday.

Central examination was held here Wednesday by Supt. Keller. The attendance was below the average but the average made by those who attended in their grades, was very good. Miss Bessie Nowcomer of Washington school, (Josephine Flynn teacher,) carried off the honors, making an average of 97½.

Roy. A. P. Morrison and wife of El Paso, Tex., are visiting Mrs. Morrison's sister, Mrs. Maggie Furber, and other relatives. Mr. Morrison is superintendent of missions for New Mexico and the western part of Texas. He delivered a very interesting sermon at the M. E. church Sunday morning.

Hotel Elliott has again changed managers. A. P. Smith retiring and H. L. McCluskey assuming the duties of host.

W. H. Wetzel has recovered from his recent illness and was able to move to Mowequa Thursday. "Wib" expects to engage in the general repair business with his brother Rheem.

Mrs. P. D. Spooner, Mrs. J. D. Cartright, Miss Ceola Sprague and Samuel Henshic were in St. Louis this week, the former two to attend the grand opening of millinery and the latter two to purchase their spring dry goods.

Glazier's Chicago Ladies' Concert Co. gave their entertainment here Thursday night to a large audience. It was the best thing of the season.

J. K. Koster of this city purchased 163 acres of land of Saml Wist, four and one-half miles southeast of Macon. Mr. Koster and family left for their new home Monday.

Mrs. Jno. Heidelbaugh has returned from a nine months' visit to her sister, Mrs. Frank Stillman, at McCook, Neb.

Elmer Blanchard has purchased Ed Bramblett's interest in the barber business of Blanchard & Bramblett and hereafter the firm will be known as Blanchard Bros.

MISS JANE M'KAIG

Died at her home on March 6, 1902, aged 71 years, 6 months. She was sick for four weeks, and was a great sufferer, but bore all patiently to the last. She was loved by all who knew her as she had a kind word for all. She leaves two brothers and one sister with relatives and a host of friends to mourn her loss. She was born in County Down, Ireland, and came to this country in April, 1875, where she has made her home with her brother, John McKaig. The funeral was held Friday at 10 a. m. at the C. P. church, Rev. W. L. Bankson officiating. There was a very large attendance. The remains were laid to rest in the Waltz cemetery.

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A mistake was printed in the morning Herald concerning the Agnes Stoneburner divorce suit. I never sued for a divorce four times, nor did I charge stubbornness with drunkenness. The charge was adultery with one Myrtle Gardner and one Bess Barnhart that was the evidence in court. They both live in Decatur.

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WHY SHE WILL NOT GO

A Washington Explanation of Miss Roosevelt's Change of Plans

Washington, March 8.—Miss Roosevelt is not going to England to witness the coronation of King Edward. This decision has been arrived at by President Roosevelt particularly on account of some curious international complications. Several different European countries, particularly Germany, asked Miss Roosevelt to visit them, and as the president found it impossible to discriminate between these different invitations he found the only way out of it was to have her stay at home and not go to England.

Miss Roosevelt will go to Cuba as the guest of Governor General and Mrs. Wood and will stay there a month or so, possibly until the inauguration of President Palma and the initiation of the new government of the republic of Cuba.

No announcement was ever made officially that Miss Roosevelt would go to England, and so the authorities at the White House have not considered it necessary to make official statement regarding her failure to attend the coronation. The president was never desirous of having his daughter go abroad. He yielded to her repeated requests, but with the express proviso that her visit must be so arranged as to be devoid of any official significance.

The German government, however, invited Miss Roosevelt to visit as the guest of the emperor. This was partially as a courtesy in recognition of her having christened the emperor's yacht, but it was more particularly the expression of the desire of the German emperor to make an official return for the unusual reception accorded to Prince Henry.

It became evident, therefore, that Miss Roosevelt would inevitably be made the central figure in a diplomatic incident, and as this was exactly what the president wished to avoid, he decided to withdraw his consent to the visit to England.

The decision is entirely in accord with the political advice of the president's friends. They reported to him that while his daughter would, of course, go as a young American woman the English people would be certain to select her for special attention, and the matter would certainly be taken up in this country by political opponents of the president.

In this way Miss Roosevelt would not only be made the center of official attentions abroad, but her name would necessarily be a political issue at home and the two things together would create a degree of unpleasant notoriety which neither the president nor Miss Roosevelt herself could contemplate with calmness. It was deemed best, therefore, for the reasons stated, to cut out the foreign trip entirely.

THE WORLD OF SPORTS

Saturday President Dan Dineen of the baseball association received a letter from Manager Fred Pfeffer in relation to some matters in connection with the new team. The manager gave a list of the players as far as he knew them and said that he had several good ones in sight and hoped to give some definite information in relation to them within a few days.

There are four pitchers signed—Dorner, Bruce, McGill and Schmidt, who will be change pitcher when not covering the territory in right field.

Pfeffer says that McGill will perhaps prove a find. He formerly played in the New Orleans team and President Jim Hart of the Chicago National league was anxious to give him a trial. Pfeffer secured his signature through the aid of a mutual friend. This friend advised McGill that it would be better for him to play another year in a minor league, especially if he could be under the eye of a veteran player like Pfeffer, whose assistance and schooling would be of immense value to him if he had a chance in one of the big leagues next season.

Dickey, the big fellow previously mentioned, will play first base and Pfeffer himself will cover second. Hankey, who was signed by Farley, will be given a trial at third. Pfeffer says that he has investigated Hankey's ability as a player as far as such a thing is possible without seeing him tried, and from all that he can learn, believes that Hankey will do the right thing.

The manager also says that he is negotiating with a man who is very fast behind the bat and is hopeful that within a few days he will be able to tell that he has secured his signature.

As soon as the ground has dried sufficiently to make it possible, men will be put at work on the ball grounds. Last fall at the close of the season the entire field was plowed deep. It is the intention to harrow the ground thoroughly; then roll it. This work will be repeated until the field is put in the best possible condition. The local management is confident that Decatur will not only have the best team in the league, but the best grounds as well. The park may not be the most handsome in appearance, but it is the intention to have the grounds put in such shape as will give the best results in ball playing.

TALK OF CITY LEAGUE

One Could be Easily Established and Maintained Here in Decatur

This promises to be the greatest baseball year in the history of the city. The outlook for the Three I league club was never brighter, professional baseball never had as many followers. With a man like Pfeffer to manage the club the cranks will have confidence in the team. They will undoubtedly contribute a liberal patronage during the summer.

There is another kind of baseball, however, that is just as interesting to a large number of followers of the game, and that is the amateur class. In past seasons there has always been a deep but friendly rivalry between the nines representing different stores and factories, but they have simply met and pulled off their games without any effort to keep a record or strengthen the rivalry. This could be readily done by the organization of a local league and The Herald suggests that steps in this direction be taken at once. Peoria tried the plan last summer and it proved a big success. Clubs were organized and a regular schedule prepared and it was followed throughout the season. It was arranged so that a number of clubs composing the league played an equal number of games with each of the other clubs. These games were scored in regular fashion and at the end of the season each player had a record that was well known to all of the fans in the city. There is enough good material here to follow out this plan. A schedule could be so arranged that the amateur games would not conflict with those of the schedule of the Three I league. Arrangements could be made for the use of the diamond at the race track, and the rivalry that naturally exists would serve to draw people to the contests.

C. M. Barnett, who has recently entered the field of sporting goods and his manager, Archie Wilson, look upon the plan with favor, and announce their willingness to put a nine in the field in case such a plan is adopted. Six clubs would be enough to make a respectable local league. What is necessary is for some of the local enthusiasts to take hold of the question and get it started. A meeting might be called and the situation canvassed. With a six club league three games could be played each week. Even a four-club league would add to the interest of the national game, which is undoubtedly the cleanest and most popular sport engaging the attention of the people.

Hugh Nicol: "This jumping act of Jones is the worst I ever knew of, and the minor leagues will fix him if he ever wants to come back to play in any of our clubs. I have him reserved with Elliott, who has gone to the American association team in Milwaukee. Both of these players I found up in Wisconsin working for a small salary, and Jones I signed for $65 a month. Afterwards I gave him $75 because I was ashamed of myself. Elliott was glad to come for $75 and all the advance money he asked for was $10 and I gave it to him. Jones sent for Hart to sign with him last fall and I know that there was no condition in the contract that permitted him to sign again with the St. Louis club. Hart would be a nice one to make such a contract and give a man $100 advance money. In spite of it all, Jones is a promising young player; in fact, the most promising that I have ever known."

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It is said that peace will prevail in the National league, no matter how the case in court may be decided. The magnates are expected to get together not later than the first of April. This is given out by the Sporting News, but the various rumors that come from the different cities and the different factions it does look possible for a truce to be declared.

MANAGER FRED PFEFFER

Manager Fred Pfeffer, who also will play second base for the Decatur team, was born in Louisville, March 17, 1860, and has played baseball professionally from 1882 to 1898. Since the latter date he has been managing semi-professional teams. When the Herald asked him for a picture he sent the above and said it was the best likeness ever made to him as he appeared when actively playing. He has not changed greatly since.

STONINGTON.

J. O. Rollins and wife returned Friday evening from Crowley, La., where they have been visiting the past three weeks.

Mrs. M. W. Duckwall is confined to her bed with an attack of measles.

Doctors Coe, Short and Hedbatt were in Taylorville on professional business today.

Miss Lizzie Zeider returned Saturday evening from a week's visit with friends at Nokomis.

Miss Lena Swearingen was the guest of Miss Cina Adams over Sunday.

Thos. E. Gragg, postmaster, made a business trip to Decatur today.

A sub-district E. L. institute is being held at the M. E. church this week. The speakers are Dr. Reed of Decatur, Revs. Beggs of Illiopolis, Barton of Assumption, and Dr. Denning returned missionary from India.

P. H. Keller has sold some lots in the Covington addition to Mrs. Lena Drane and sister, Mrs. Flora Saddler, who will erect a fine dwelling in the spring.

H. A. Dantord transacted business on Taylorville today.

A home talent play is being rehearsed by some of our young people. They expect to have the play ready in a few weeks.

Miss Maud Housley is visiting Mrs. P. O. Miller at Morrisonville this week.

O. E. Baldwin of Cobden, Ill., is the guest of Rev. Artz and family.

BEMENT.

J. T. Hinshburger visited friends in Tuscola and Atwood last week.

M. Bailey of Lovington is visiting friends in our city.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Schwartz who have been living in Chicago for some time returned to our city last week.

Mrs. M. J. Mason and children are visiting relatives in Forrest. They will visit in Streator and Chicago before returning home.

Mrs. John Grant went to Tuscola last week to attend the wedding of her brother, Emory Smith.

Mrs. Barnes of Cologne, Germany, was the guest of Mrs. Laura McClure Wednesday.

Miss Clara Hall spent Saturday and Sunday with friends in Monticello.

Ed Harlan of Cisco transacted business in our city Saturday.

Rural Route No. 1 commenced March 1, E. E. Spear as carrier.

Mrs. Frank Sprague visited friends in Decatur a few days the past week.

John J. Malone transacted business in Shelbyville Friday and Saturday.

Henry Hays returned Friday from Kingfisher, Ok., where he has been the past week.

S. J. Fulk transacted business in Monticello Saturday.

Fred Cole of Voorhies was a Bement visitor Saturday.

Mrs. Martha Henson visited relatives in Cerro Gordo first of the week.

John Dugan of Decatur visited home folks over Sunday.

Miss Bryde Fleming is in Decatur this week visiting friends.

Fred Fisher returned home Sunday from two weeks' visit in Louisiana.

Mrs. Mollie East of Milmine was the guest of her mother, Mrs. G. W. Thompson first of the week.

Miss Enid Woolington of Monticello was the guest of Miss Cora McClure Saturday and Sunday.

WARRENSBURG.

Mrs. Emma Garver of Illiopolis, is visiting Miss Blanche Binkley.

The Central examination is being held here today. Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Keller are here to assist in the work.

A Sunday school convention was held at the Congregational church last Tuesday. Mr. Miller of Decatur was present.

The protracted meeting is still in progress. There have been quite a number of conversions. The larger number being children.

Mr. Riggs who moved to the John Clark property from Olga, Ill., a week ago, moved to Latham last Wednesday.

Mrs. Samuel Wentworth who has been very ill is improving rapidly.

Mrs. Marie Schroeder who has been ill for some time is better.

Miss Sara Binkley returned from a visit at Argenta last Sunday.

Rev. Pierce of Arthur and Rev. Madden of Argenta attended the meetings here last Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Zach Bongho returned to their home at Randolph, Neb., this week. Jennie Six accompanied them home to visit for some time.

Miss Lulu Markland of Decatur spent Sunday with Warrensburg friends.

February 28.

TODD'S POINT.

William Henson, a former resident of this place, recently returned from Iowa and will work for Sherman Wright this season.

William Graham has moved into the house vacated last week by William Robertson and will be employed by Mr. Vanfossen, the present renter.

The two little cottages belonging to Messrs Swain and Peoples are now occupied by the Davis and Cutler families.

Mrs. Banks and Messrs. Mack and John Davis of Findlay were in our village Saturday attending the funeral of our lamented citizen, Charles Robertson.

It is with feelings of sincere sorrow we have to record the death of our esteemed fellow citizen, Charles Robertson. Although somewhat ailing the previous day there was nothing in his condition to warrant undue anxiety by his family until last Thursday morning, while apparently sleeping about 10 a. m. he passed away quite suddenly and before medical assistance could be called. On arrival later Dr. Askins of Findlay pronounced the cause of death to be heart failure. The unlooked-for occurrence was a severe shock to the family and was shared by the entire community, to whom by his gentle courtesy and earnest and genial disposition Mr. Robertson had greatly endeared himself during his residence in this town since 1866. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. William Bates of Findlay and the remains were interred in the family vault in the cemetery. Of a simple and retiring nature Mr. Robertson had nevertheless taken an active interest in religious work and everything pertaining to the upbuilding of the community in which he lived. He was a member of the Christian church where as an elder and as superintendent of the Sunday school there he will be greatly missed.

March 4.

MONTICELLO.

Robt. Hudgen and J. C. Hart and son of White Heath, returned Friday evening from southern Iowa, where they have been looking at farm lands.

Mrs. A. B. Tinder attended the funeral of Harry Lovell of Champaign, the first of the week. His death was caused from falling from a scaffold, while engaged in carpentering work. This family has been very much afflicted, two daughters dying recently of consumption, and his wife afflicted with the same trouble.

Mrs. Predmore who was called to Danville by the death of her brother, fell while there, breaking her arm.

Mrs. Helen Baxter of Springfield inspected the W. R. C. this week.

Mrs. Harry J. Evans is suffering from paralysis of the facial nerve. She is somewhat improved at this time.

A "grand" party was given Friday afternoon by Mrs. Harry Knight, to about forty ladies. The guests were received by her mother, Mrs. E. G. Knight, and sisters, Mrs. John E. Andrews, Mrs. D. Bohon, Mrs. John Davison, as Mrs. Knight was taken suddenly ill and unable to see any of her guests. The parlors were decorated with La France roses. Elaborate refreshments were served. Prize was won by Mrs. Charles Bumstead being a dozen of roses.

Mrs. Robert Kay of Decatur visited here part of this week.

In the closing of the court Judge Cochran appointed the Woman's Club as custodians of juvenile offenders.

Mrs. J. E. Patton is suffering with a sprained ankle which will delay their moving to Indiana for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Riley Hyde have gone to Denver, Colo., where they expect to make their future home.

C. W. Piatt is in Chicago this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bundy entertained about sixty friends at "grand," Tuesday night. Mrs. Charles Ridgley and G. R. Pinckard won the prizes.

Mrs. H. J. Evans is suffering from a slight stroke of facial paralysis.

C. K. Smith is confined to his home on account of illness.

Mrs. Wm. Elsen and daughter Pearl of Tuscola are visiting Mrs. J. M. Bender.

Mrs. H. N. Knight will entertain at cards this afternoon.

Rev. Dancey returned from Kansas Tuesday.

J. C. Kuns has purchased the Walker property in the west part of town now occupied by S. M. Funk.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Stewart of Humboldt, Kans., returned home Wednesday after a visit with relatives here.

"Si Perkins" will be at the opera house next Thursday night.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Peter Caster, Seymour	21
Ada Monnee	22
Ezra M. Fugua, Bement	26
Maude Cook, Voorhies	29
Wm. F. Meyer, Hammond	39
Julia Madison, Hammond	47
Geo. W. Thrasher, Atwood	28
Carrie Offenstein, Atwood	25
Fred D. Duvall, White Heath	22
Ada May Combes, Monticello	20
Emery D. Smith, Tuscola	31
Maude M. Easton, Atwood	30
Joseph Shively, La Place	22
Nora M. Duncan, Lintner	17
Oscar N. Moody, DeLand	21
Caddie L. Campbell	18
Edward S. Daines, Danville	22
Sina De Bord, Danville	18
Robert Thompson, Monticello	32
Ollie Ellis, Monticello	21

TRANSFERS OF REAL ESTATE.

Bennett Peck to Martha Duvall, part of lot 2, block 9, Huston's addition to Monticello; $1221.

Eliza E. Bradley and husband to Wm. Curran, trustee, south west part of southwest part of section 27, township 17, range 6; $4233.

Hannah R. Fitzwater et al., to Jas. H. Fitzwater, south half of southeast part of section 11, township 19, range 3; $7000.

Edmund W. Lansden to Hannah R. Fitzwater, north half of south east part of section 13, township 19, range 3; $7000.

Same to Jas. N. Secrist et al., south half of southeast part of section 13, township 19, range 3; $7000.

Wm. Skidmore to Jos. Bochy, lot 3, block 9, Camp's addition to Pierson; $125.

Jos. Bochy to Lucas Housley, same; $150.

R. I. Tatman, master-in-chancery, to Joachin Dorjohn, south half of northwest part of south west part and 3 acres off of south side west half of northwest part of southwest part of section 24, township 16, range 6.

Ann R. Hubbell to Chas. S. Cox, lots 3 and 4, block 6, Piatt's east addition to Monticello; $800.

Mar. 3.

OBED.

John Carroll is getting ready to move to a farm four miles west of Radford.

Charles Pope of Tower Hill was visiting among his friends at Obed last week.

James Thomas, one of our oldest citizens, died last Wednesday night. The funeral occurred at the Little Flock church. The services were conducted by the pastor, Rev. Jones of Lake Wood.

Isaac Pinkston, son of John Pinkston, was killed by a falling tree one day last week. He only lived two hours, but was unconscious till death. The funeral was conducted by Rev. Carter at the Little Flock church.

Our mail carrier failed to make the trip Saturday on account of bad roads.

March 4.

Goes to Colorado

Louis Latte, who has been employed by the Mueller Manufacturing company in the advertising department, resigned his position Saturday and will leave today for Denver, Colo., where he will take the editorship of the Colorado Herald. Mr. Latte is a well known paper man, having had many years of experience with newspapers in Chicago.

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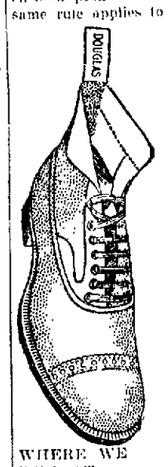

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THE MARKETS

TRADE WAS UNSETTLED

Wheat Closed Lower that on Saturday, Likewise Corn

Chicago, March 10.—Wheat—Trade was moderate in volume with the tone a little unsettled. Higher prices ruled early, when May sold at 77 7-8 to 77 1-4c, but a decline to 76 7-8 to 77c followed, the price changing some and closing 3-4c lower than Saturday. The strength at the start was attributable mainly to rain over Sunday and higher cables. Liverpool quoted spot up 1-2 to 3-4d and futures 1-8 to 3-8c better. Production of showers for Kansas and the middle west by the signal service changed the local sentiment and there was selling by early buyers. Reductions in the visible about as expected. Exports were moderate at 291,000 bushels and 16 boatloads were reported taken on the coast. Local receipts, 34 cars.

Corn—Considerable trade, principally local. The start was better with cables and wheat, but prices receded sharply later, and the close was 3-8 to 1-2c lower than Saturday. The local operators were rather bearish. Part of the late selling was credited to the southwest. Local receipts, 101 cars. Liverpool 1-4 to 1-2d better on spot and 1-4d higher on futures.

Oats—Rather quiet. At the start steadiness prevailed but later when other grains weakened the prices receded 1-2c at a gain of 1-8 to 3-8c. Trade was disposed to await the government report.

THE PRICES.

Chicago, March 10. Wheat—Fair trade, opened strong, weakened, closed lower. No. 3 hard, 78 1-2c; No. 2 red, 83 1-2 to 83 3-4c; No. 3 red, 79 1-2c to 82 1-2c; No. 2 hard, 76 1-2 to 78 1-2c; No. 3 hard, 76 to 77 1-2c; March, 75 1-8c. May opened 77 1-8 to 77 7-8c; highest, 78 1-4c; lowest, 76 1-8 to 77c; closed, 77c.

Corn—Moderately active, higher early, weakened, closed lower. No. 3, 59c; No. 3 yellow, 60c; March, 59 7-8c; white, 60 3-4c; No. 3 yellow, 60c; May opened, 62 3-8 to 62 1-2c; highest, 62 1-2 to 62 5-8c; lowest, 61 1-2 to 61 1-8c; closed, 61 5-8 to 61 3-4c.

Oats—Rather quiet, stronger early, weakened, closed 1-8 to 3-8c. No. 2, 44 3-4 to 44 1-2c; No. 3, 44c; No. 2 white, 45 1-2 to 46 1-2c; No. 3 white, 44 3-4 to 45 1-2c; No. 4 white, 44 to 44 3-4c; No. 4, 44c; No. 2, 44 1-4c. May opened 44 3-4c; highest, 44 3-4c; lowest, 44 3-8c; closed, 44 1-2c.

OTHER GRAINS.

Rye, 56 1-2c.
Barley, 58 to 63 1-2c.
Flax, $1.68 to $1.71.
Timothy, $6.65.
Clover, $8.65.

PROVISIONS.

Pork—March $15.05; May, $16.25.
Lard—March, $9.22; May, $9.37.
Ribs—March, $8.25; May $8.35 to $8.37.

PRODUCE.

Butter—Steady. Creameries, 18 to 25c. Dairies, 18 to 23c.
Poultry—Steady. Turkeys, 10 to 14 1-2c; chickens, 10 to 11 1-2c.
Eggs—Weak, 15c.

RECEIPTS AND SHIPMENTS.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	22,000	15,000
Wheat, bu.	45,000	51,000
Corn, bu.	101,000	29,000
Oats	112,000	129,000

How Prices Fluctuated.

Daily Market Report furnished by B. Z. Taylor, Decatur. Orders filled by direct wire.

Following is the range of options, with yesterday's closing:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Clos.	Yes.
Wheat—					
Mch	....	....	....	75½	75⅞
May	78⅛@¼	78⅛	76⅞@77	77	77⅞
July	78⅛@¼	78⅛	77½@¾	77⅞@¼	78⅛@¼
Corn—					
Mch	....	....	....	59½	60⅛
May	62⅛@½	62½	61½@¾	61⅝@½	62½
July	62@½	62½@¾	61⅛	61½@⅝	61⅞@62
Oats—					
Mch	....	....	....	44½	43⅞
May	44½	44½	44¼	44¼	44⅛
July	35⅞@¾	35½@⅞	35½	35⅜@½	35⅝
Pork—					
May	15.17@20	15.25	15.15	15.25	15.30
Lard—					
May	9.35@37	9.37	9.32	9.37	9.40-2
Ribs—					
May	8.32	8.35	8.32	8.35	8.37-40

Wheat at Minneapolis

Minneapolis, March 10.—Wheat—Cash, 74 5-8 to 74 7-8c; May, 74 1-8c; July, 75 1-8 to 74 1-4c; on track, No. 1 hard, 76 5-8c; No. 1 northern, 74 5-8 to 74 7-8c; No. 2 northern, 73 5-8c.

Grain at Liverpool.

Liverpool, March 10.—Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red western winter, 6s 1 1-2d; No. 1 northern spring, 6s 2d.

Corn—Spot steady; American mixed, new, 5s 7d; American mixed, old, 7s 3d.

New York Grain.

New York, March 10.—Wheat—Receipts, 28,000 bushels; exports, 88,000. Spot weak; No. 2 red, 87 1-2 f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 red, 87c elevator. Options closed weak at 1-2 to 3-4 net decline; May, 82 7-8c.

Corn—Receipts, 47,000 bushels; exports, 200. Spot easy; No. 2, 69 1-8c elevator and 69 7-8c f. o. b. afloat. Options closed easy at 3-8 to 1-4c net loss; May, 67 1-8c.

Oats—Receipts, 14,000 bead. Spot steady; No. 2, 51 1-2c; No. 2 white, 53c; track, mixed western, 51 1-2 to 52 1-2c; track, white, 52 1-2 to 52 5-8c. Options quiet and barely steady.

PRODUCE.

Butter—Market steady at decline, creamery, 22 to 27c.

Cheese—Market strong; large and [illegible] 11 1-2 to 11 3-4c.

Eggs—Market firm at decline, western [illegible] 17c.

Grain at St. Louis.

St. Louis, March 10.—Wheat—Cash, 81 1-2c; May, 83 1-8 to 83 1-4c.
Corn—Cash, 60 7-8c; May, 61 7-8c.
Oats—Cash, 44c; May, 44c.

Grain at Peoria

Peoria, March 10.—Corn—Market easier; No. 3, 59 1-4c.
Oats—Market quiet; No. 3 white, 44c.

LOCAL INSPECTION.

Twenty-five cars of corn were inspected at this point yesterday.

THE VISIBLE.

Chicago, March 10.—The visible supply: Wheat, 53,155,000 bushels; corn, 10,085,000; oats, 4,014,000.

CATTLE RECEIPTS

Supplied for the First Day Showed Bigger Supply

Chicago, March 10.—Cattle—After last week's greatly reduced supplies, buyers were glad to have more liberal offerings to select from once more, and, although the receipts were around 21,000 the market generally was about steady for good lots, common lots selling a trifle lower.

Hogs—There was the usual and unexpected heavy supply this morning, the receipts amounting to 57,000, against 25,000 last Monday. The liberal supply caused a weak market and the prices quickly declined 10c per hundred.

Sheep—There was an unexpected big run today, about 25,000 being in, against 11,731 last Monday. The general demand was fairly active, but the liberal supply caused a weaker feeling and many sales were 10c lower.

THE PRICES.

Cattle—Receipts, 21,000 head. Market steady; good to prime, $6.50 to $7.20; poor to medium, $4.00 to $6.30; cows, $1.25 to $6.30; Texans, $4.50 to $5.90; stockers, $3.25 to $5.25.

Hogs—Receipts, 57,000 head. Market weak to 10c lower at $5.75 to $5.20; lambs 10c lower at $4.50 to $6.50.

Live Stock at St. Louis

St. Louis, March 10.—Cattle—Receipts, 3000 head. Market steady; beef steers, $4.50 to $6.55; stockers and feeders, $2.75 to $4.90; cows and heifers, $2.00 to $5.25; Texas steers, $3.30 to $5.00.

Hogs—Receipts, 4000 head. Market 10c lower; range, $5.00 to $6.37 1-2.

Decatur Markets.

Wholesale Prices

Lemons, 300 size	$3.25		$3.50
Apples (per barrel)	3.50	to	5.00
Northern potatoes, bu.	.88	to	.90
Cabbage, per lb.	.01½	to	.02
Bananas, bunch	.75	to	2.00
Sweet potatoes, per bbl	4.00	to	4.25
Onions, bu.	1.75	to	2.00
Cranberries, per bbl.	7.50	to	8.00
Oranges, California navels, per box	2.50	to	3.25

PAID BY GROCERS.

Butter	.18	to	.25
Eggs	.11	to	
Lard	.10	to	.10½

GRAIN.

White corn	.58	to	
Mixed corn	.57	to	
Wheat, soft	.80	to	
Oats, white	.41	to	
Oats, mixed	.40	to	
Rye	.55	to	

POULTRY—LIVE WEIGHT.

Hens	.08	to	
Springs	.08	to	
Cocks	.03	to	
Ducks	.07	to	
Young hen turkeys	.11	to	
Young tom turkeys	.09	to	
Old hen turkeys	.06	to	
Old tom turkeys	.06	to	
Geese	.05	to	
Eggs	.14	to	

BUTCHER STOCK.

Hogs, per 100 lbs.	$5.25	to	$5.75
Calves	4.00	to	4.50
Shipping cattle	4.50	to	5.00
Cows	2.50	to	3.50
Heifers	3.00	to	4.00
Butcher steers	3.50	to	4.25
Sheep	2.50	to	3.25
Lambs	3.00	to	4.00

HIDES AND WOOL.

Hides, No. 1, green, lb	.06	to	
Horse hides, each	2.00	to	2.50
Mule hides, each	1.50	to	
Calf hides, lb.	.07½	to	.08
Colt hides	.50	to	.75
Cured hides, lb.	.06	to	.06½
Wool, lb.	.14	to	.16

FEED.

RETAIL PRICES.

Oats	.50	to	.55
Corn	.70	to	.75
Linseed oil meal, cwt	1.75	to	2.00

HAY AND STRAW.

Timothy, per cwt.	.75	to	.80
Clover, per cwt.	60	to	.65
Oats straw, per cwt.	.45	to	.50
Threshed timothy, per cwt.	50	to	

WHOLESALE HAY AND STRAW.

Timothy hay, per ton	$11.00	to	13.00
Clover hay, per ton	8.00	to	9.00
Oats straw, per ton	5.00	to	6.00
Shredded fodder	6.00	to	8.00
Wheat straw, per ton	4.50	to	5.00

Winter Term Closes

The winter term of the Walnut Grove school, three miles south of Decatur, closes today. George Ruple, the teacher, has arranged appropriate exercises celebrating the close of school. There will be a dinner in the school house at noon time and during the afternoon there will be appropriate exercises by the pupils. At night there will be a debate.

Scarlet Fever

Monday two cases of scarlet fever were reported to the board of health. One was in the family of P. T. Judy, living at 1311 East Eldorado street. His 8-year-old son is the victim.

Another case was in the family of S. D. McMillan at 1725 East William street. The victim is a little girl four years old.

All the Signs

All the signs point to spring. The robins and the blackbirds have returned and occasionally is heard the notes of some of the song birds. The street cleaners are at work and the street sprinkler is busy.

A CLEAN SCORE

T. C. Hoaglin of Austin Gets all Taxes for a Second Time

FIRST IN WITH HIS BOOKS

It is a most unusual thing for a tax collector to collect all the taxes in any township. Last year Mr. T. C. Hoaglin was able to induce every taxpayer in Austin township to pay his taxes. Every cent of personal and real estate tax was paid. It was a remarkable achievement and it is doubtful if many other collectors ever accomplished this feat. People say, "Well, you can't do it again." But he did. On Monday he made his return to County Treasurer Miller and had a clean score. Every cent was paid.

A sum of about $300 from San Jose, Cal., looked like his game might be blocked. He kept the mails hot and got the draft in time so as to maintain his record. Even in so good a township it takes a pretty good hustler to get every man, resident or non-resident, to pay his taxes. Mr. Hoaglin has now done this twice in succession. The following are the figures from his book:

Austin Township, T. C. Hoaglin, Collector.

Total amount charged	$8,564 26
Total amount collected	8,564 26
Collector's commission	171 29
Due the county	8,392 98

REPORTS FROM CENTRALS

Work of the Pupils in the Country Schools—The Ranks Obtained

Following are the reports of some of central examinations held, showing the ranks obtained by the pupils:

NIANTIC, MARCH 4.

School.	8th Grade.	10th Grade.
Niantic	17	26
Dingman	1	—
Acorn	—	1
Barkey	1	—
West Stringtown	7	2
Wells	1	2

Rank 1, 8th grade—Nora Weizbarger of West Stringtown.

Rank 1, 10th grade—Chester Sponsler of Niantic.

BOODY, MARCH 3.

School.	8th Grade.	10th Grade.
Boody	15	6
Madison	2	—
Nevada	3	7
Pern	3	—
Lincoln	—	1

Rank 1, 10th grade—Arpha Kallenbach of Nevada school.

Rank 1, 8th grade—Earl Williams of Boody school.

BLUE MOUND, MARCH 5.

School.	8th Grade.	10th Grade.
Blue Mound	5	7
Washington	1	1
Pleasant View	5	—
Rosedale	6	—
Old Blue Mound	2	—

Rank 1, 8th grade—Bessie Newcomb of Washington.

Rank 1, 10th grade—Thomas Despres of Old Blue Mound.

HARRISTOWN, MARCH 6.

School.	8th Grade.	10th Grade.
Hill	2	2
East Stringtown	3	3
Westfield	6	1
Union	9	2
Harristown	1	3

Rank 1, 10th grade—Walter Van Guilder of Hill.

Rank 1, 8th grade—Laura Towne of Hill.

TOM. H. RICHARDSON OUT

Another Candidate Enters the Lists for Republican Nomination

Thomas H. Richardson is announced this morning as a candidate for the republican nomination for sheriff. Tom, as he is familiarly known, has been a resident of Decatur for the past twenty years. He was formerly engaged in the dray line business and has since been a contractor. During the term of Sheriff Nicholson he acted as a special deputy and has gleaned a knowledge of the requirements of the office. During the past few years he has also served on the police force and as an officer he has a creditable record.

During his long residence here he has always been found working for the interest of the party to which he belongs. He has been active for the advancement of the party's interest and with his friends believes that he is amply able to fill the important office to which he aspires. He has gone into the race to make a hard fight for the nomination, and if he should win in the preliminary contest there is no doubt that he will land in the office by a handsome majority.

Deeds Recorded

David H. Cloyd to O. B. Gorin, lot 5 in block 12 in C. H. Moore's addition to Decatur; $1.

James J. Finn to D. M. Garver, master's deed to a tract in the northeast quarter of 23, 16, 2 east; $680.

E. M. Jones to Jennie E. Hathaway, lot 27 in block 2 in Leforgee & Patterson's first addition to Decatur; $1.

William Nickey to David L. Nickey, 83.35 acres in the northeast quarter of 1, 16, 3 east; $8300.

Eliza Vincent to Susan Thrilfall, lot 4 in block 3 in H. H. Wise's second subdivision in the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter of 15, 16, 2 east; $800.

W. T. Moffett to William D. Moffett, 40 acres in 5, 15, 1 east; $1.

Wm. Cottingham to children of Robert Carr, the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of 12, 18, 3 east; $1.

The Shah of Persia has his watches made in Paris.

ANNOUNCEMENT EXTRAORDINARY!

CARPETS, RUGS, MATTING, LINOLEUM, LACE CURTAINS, DRAPERIES AND WINDOW SHADES.

In preparing for the Spring sales on the above mentioned goods, all resources have been exhausted to make them the most notable we have ever held. The stock is more complete, the assortment more comprehensive and above all the prices have been adjusted with a view of making the store the objective point for all who contemplate house furnishing this Spring. Our facilities for value giving prices are greater this season than ever before and the tremendous assortment is equalled by but few houses in America.

We have the first opportunity of selecting the higher grades and novelties, being recognized as the manufacturer's best customers who are pleased to send us from time to time their very latest productions. This is the reason you will always find at Bradley Bros. so many extreme and exclusive styles not found in other houses.

Among our carpets you will find:

Royal Meltons,
Wilton Velvets,
Axminsters,
Moquetts,
Bodys,
Tapestries,
Three Plys,
Extra Supers,
Ingrains.

Our Rug Department shows all the oriental weaves.

Daghestans,
Wilton Velvets,
Axminsters,
Body Brussels,
Tapestry
And the well tried 'Danshea Rug stands as the summit of all excellence

In Mattings we show among other novelties:

The Meaks,
The Gingo,
Nishik,
Poonang
and Old Government never introduced here.

In our Drapery Department see the

Hungarian,
Belgrave,
Chippendale,
Puritan,
Gobelin
and Moorish Draperies, all new, artistic and beautiful

Our Lace Curtain Department which is well stocked throughout the year will be found exceptionally complete with all the novelties supplemented by an enormous closing out purchase from one of the best manufacturers in the curtain business. 450 pairs of Nottingham Lace Curtains 3½ yards long, extra wide, not a poor pattern in the lot, the low-priced numbers had all been sold out and we took the lot at fifty cents on the dollar. $1.75 for $3.50 Curtains. $2.00 for $4 Lace Curtains. $2.50 for $5 Lace Curtains. $3 for $6 Lace Curtains.

300 pairs of ruffled Muslin Curtains at 45c, 65c, 75c and $1 a pair.

Bradley Bros
DRY GOODS & MILLINERY
Decatur Ill.

COURT WILL DECIDE

Judge Vail Hears Case Against Insurance Company—The Sealed Verdict

In the suit of Wilson vs the Knights and Ladies of Honor a jury was waived by agreement and Judge Vail is hearing the evidence. James Wilson, late of this city, had been a member of the lodge mentioned, the local branch being at Mattoon. It is said that he was dropped for failure to pay assessments. The prosecution is seeking to show that it was the habit to accept delayed assessments without the formality of the dilatory member making application for reinstatement and that while Wilson's assessment may have been slow coming in, it was offered within the limit of time fixed by custom, if not by the laws of the order.

The jury which returned a sealed verdict in the Henesley-Brown case Saturday night came into court at noon time to hear the reading of their verdict which, as announced Sunday morning, was for the defendant. The plaintiff has entered a motion for a new trial.

LAW.

Lizzie Henesley et al vs. Michael Brown et al; attachment. Verdict for defendant. Motion by plaintiff for new trial.

Elizabeth E. Wilson vs. Supreme Lodge Knights and Ladies of Honor, a corporation; assumpsit. Trial by court by agreement.

Daniel F. Dinneen vs. Christopher Kupesch et al; attachment. Continued.

CRIMINAL.

Ed Mallers; gaming. Defendant pleads guilty first count and nolle as to others and defendant fined $10 and costs.

CHANCERY.

Ernest D. Camp, trustee, vs. Heber F. Camp et al; bill to construe trust agreement. Rule to answer cross bill by next Wednesday.

Births.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bumstead, at the home of Mrs. Bumstead's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Ullrich, on West Decatur street, Sunday, March 9, a daughter.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Alva Kennelly, at their home, 339 Webster street, Monday, March 10, a daughter.

Stephen Provost of Marion, Ind., and Frank Provost of Cleveland are in Decatur on account of the illness of their mother, Mrs. P. B. Provost. Mrs. Provost seemed slightly better Monday.

IMPROVISED KELLY

Husband Hauls His Wife Home in a Wheelbarrow

The "Kelly wagon" was cut out of a job on Sangamon street Monday afternoon by a wheelbarrow. A Polish woman had been having a postponed Sunday celebration and had dallied too long with the beer while it was amber before starting for home and as a consequence she fell by the wayside. She was dead to the world and the crowd who had been watching her trying to navigate the narrow sidewalk gathered around her and held a consultation as to what should be done. Before they reached a decision, her husband, who had been notified of her predicament, arrived with a wheelbarrow, rolled her in and carted her home.

Well Known Firm Dissolves

George Keyes, who has for seventeen years been in partnership with his brother, James Keyes, conducting the Keyes Bros. grocery on East Eldorado street, has sold his interest to his brother James and his son. The business will hereafter be conducted under the name of James Keyes & Son. Keyes Bros. have been one of the popular levee grocery firms for several years and the two brothers have met with success.

George Keyes, who resigned, will go to Beaumont, Tex., where he will purchase land. The family expect to move in about a month.

DEATH AT ASSUMPTION

H. H. Adams, an Old Resident, Passed Away Yesterday Morning

Assumption, March 10.—Special.—H. H. Adams, one of the oldest residents of this village, passed away this morning. He was 76 years of age, and was highly respected. Mr. Adams had been a resident of this vicinity for the past thirty-five years.

Marriage Licenses

Charles H. Sisk, Springfield	32
Nellie L. Cox, Springfield	22
John F. Schutter, Decatur	30
Edith Garver, Decatur	26

Miss Lydia Keller visited the Epworth League at Elwin Sunday evening in the interest of the Epworth League missionary campaign.

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WARRENSBURG.

Rev. Sturgeon, who has been holding meetings at the M. E. church for two weeks, departed for his home at Macomb last Monday.

Rev. Bickers went to Altamont last Monday.

Mrs. Garver of Illiopolis visited friends here over Sunday.

Rev. Denning, a missionary from India, gave a lecture to a crowded house at the M. E. church last Wednesday evening.

Miss Edna Bullard of Hemen visited her cousin, Miss Lenora Bullard, Wednesday and Thursday.

A jubilee meeting was held here on Monday night.

Mrs. Brown of Indiana is visiting her mother.

Otto Stahl of Decatur spent Sunday with relatives here.

Mrs. Pierce and children will go to Edwardsville to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gillam, for a week.

Meade Jones moved to Iowa this week.

March 7.

FORSYTH.

Rev. Loughrake is on the sick list.

Mr. Ridgely of Monticello is here on business.

Rev. and Mrs. Loughrake have gone to Colfax. He was called there on account of the sickness of her mother.

Mrs. Lizzie McGuire visited Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Mowry Monday.

Mrs. Annie Polly visited Philip Riser Wednesday.

Mrs. Elwood McKinley was a Decatur visitor Monday.

Mrs. V. W. Benton, Mrs. H. C. Mowry and Miss Blanche Cooper attended the cantata Thursday evening.

J. R. Hennard was in Forsyth Thursday.

Henry Sibley has bought a house and lot in Decatur and will move soon.

Mr. Melhorn has rented the Henry Shiebly property in Forsyth.

Bert Benton of Oreana visited Forsyth Friday.

L. D. Benton of Mattoon is here on a short visit to relatives.

Mrs William Morgan went to Maroa Monday.

March 10.

OAKLEY.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Nickey on Wednesday, March 5, a daughter.

Grandmother Berry is again ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Costello.

John Van Cleve and Robert Machun, candidates for county offices, were interviewing the republican voters in this vicinity Wednesday.

Virgil Wheeler has been ill the past week.

The festival at Walnut Grove school house has been postponed until Tuesday evening, March 11.

Mrs. Pobst and daughter, Miss Ella, who have but recently returned from an extended visit in Kansas were visiting with J. W. Pobst and family Wednesday.

The democratic primary for this township is advertised for Saturday evening, March 15.

Byron, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. K. Wheeler, is recovering from an attack of pneumonia.

Clarence Nickey left Monday for Winnipeg, Canada, where he expects to spend the summer.

Collector David Strohm has completed the work of collecting the taxes. He reports a good collection, having only about $300 delinquent in a total amount of over $7000 charged against the township.

The republicans of Oakley township will meet in Oakley on Monday afternoon, March 17, between the hours of 2 and 4, for the purpose of nominating a winning township ticket. All members of the party are urged to be present.

Mar. 10.

BEMENT.

Mrs. Robt. Evenance of Champaign was the guest of Mrs. Wm. DeLong and family the past week.

Fred Stroble of Decatur spent the past week with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Barnett.

Misses Kathryn Fisher and Gussie Dyarman attended the pipe organ recital at Decatur Thursday evening, given by the Handel society.

Mrs. J. L. Morgan departed last week to make an extended visit with relatives in Jacksonville, Fla.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Ross Peck, Feb. 27, a daughter.

Wm. Barber is visiting his son at Mt. Vernon, Ill.

Miss Cora McClure has been on the sick list the past week.

Noah Young of Deland, visited relatives in our city Saturday.

Arthur Vernon transacted business in Monticello Saturday.

Miss Jewel Bradley of Findlay, is visiting relatives in our city.

Mr. Hicks of Monticello, transacted business in our city Thursday.

Misses Lucile Bruce and Mary McNamara visited relatives and friends in Monticello Saturday.

Mrs. Hildebrand after an extended visit with relatives in Chicago returned home Thursday.

Mrs. Eicholtz of Decatur is visiting her son Jake Eicholtz and family.

Mrs. Bishop departed Saturday for Crawfordsville, Ind., where she will make her future home.

Chas. Dawson of U. of I. spent Saturday and Sunday with home folks.

Sherman Long has been on the sick list the past week.

Mr. Hanlon of Cisco, was a Bement visitor Saturday.

Mrs. Lewis Bricker returned Friday from Grand Ridge, where she has been for several weeks.

J. E. Williams of Danville, spent Sunday in our city.

Miss Jessie Powley entertained a number of her friends Thursday evening in honor of her 13th birthday. The evening was spent in games and music. All reported having an enjoyable time.

Miss Cora Fay who has been visiting relatives in Sibley for several weeks returned home the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Alexander visited their son in Jacksonville, Sunday.

Mrs. G. B. Ford and children departed this week for Emmington, Ill., where they will make their future home.

Miss Nellie Amidon finished her winter term of school at Leland and returned home Tuesday.

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HINMAN'S Prices are always lower than elsewhere for the same quality of goods.

Fifty full size Steel Rod Paragon Frame English Serge Umbrellas the 65c kind, 42c.

Special Prices on Special Lines.

As Spring is rapidly approaching, we have concluded to make some sweeping reductions on special lots of reliable merchandise

Lace Curtains

We received this week direct from the New York Importers 600 pairs fine lace curtains, ranging in price 69c to $10 per pair and offer you some excellent values.

21 pair fine Nottingham Lace Curtains, 3 yards long, regular width per pair.. **69c**

36 pair special large size Battenberg pattern, lace curtains, per pair .. **$1.39**

24 pairs Extra Large Nottingham curtains, 3½ yds. long, interlocked edge, new designs. We offer our $3 quality curtains, this week, per pair **$1.98**

12 pairs the finest 8¼ Fish Net or Cable Net, very large special price this week **$2.98**

We haven't space to list all outcrops but will take pleasure in showing you our new line. Lace Curtains, Portieres and Swiss Curtains. Prices the lowest on good reliable merchandise.

WE HAVE THE ELYSIAN PERFUMES, worth 50c per oz., the following odors: Carnation Pink, Heather bloom, Lily-of-the-Valley, special price, per oz **25c**

All 50c Toilet articles **37c**

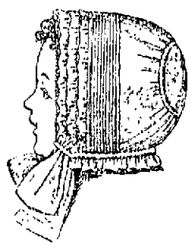
All 25c Toilet Articles **17c**

Ribbon Sale.

50 pieces fine fancy and extra heavy Silk Taffeta Ribbons, 40 and 60. Regular price, 25c yd. Our sale price, per yd **13c**

Spring Millinery.

Miss Wheeler returned from the best Millinery Market this week and procured some excellent patterns in the new spring hats. Our styles will equal any and prices on good millinery lower than any competition.
CALL AND SEE THE LINE



Baby Bonnets

New, Bright up to date Baby Bonnets received this week.

25c White India Linen Trimmed Bonnets **15c**

39c White India Emb. or lace trimmed **25c**

50c White India fancy foreign embroidery trimmed, hemstitched drawn work, now **39c**

Fifty Baby Bonnets in Linen Silk and Tucked Chiffon 50c, 75c, and **98c**

Ladies' Tailored Suits and Skirts.

Our line of Spring Suits and Skirts are the newest and best money can buy for the price. Our Suits are Eton, Norfolk, and tight fitting. We place on sale a special suit All Wool Eton jacket, regular made skirt. The suit now **5.00**

Some very stylish Norfolk Suits, the regular $12.50 and $13.50 suits, in black, blue and novelties. Our special price **9.75**

Extra good values in the better suits, new weaves and new shades. Our special prices are $22.50, $15, $16.50 and **18.50**

HOSIERY.

We place on sale 50 doz. fancy Hose in all the new colors, dots and lace stripes. Value 49c. Our special price, 2 pairs for **25c**

25 doz. swell new colored Hose worth in a regular sale 35c per pair, to start the early spring trade, we offer the lot per pair **25c**

Choice patterns and of the finest quality, cotton and lisle hose we place on sale in special lots, 55c, 39c, 50c, 65c, and **75c**

Skirts

Our skirt values always looked for by our many patrons. 100 skirts in full lined or special Flounce, Pedestrian skirts, worth $2.00. Now **$1.48**

We place on sale 50 fine Pedestrian skirts, made full, circular flounce, stitched and made of the best material, $4 values now . **2.98**

Our special full regular made $5 values we place on sale this week some excellent styles in dress and pedestrian Skirts **3.98**

25 SILK SKIRTS (Drummers' Samples) bought for 50c on the dollar and drummers' samples are made better. No two alike. Come and see them. $7.50, $9.75, $13.50, $18.50 and . **25.00**

Perfumes and Powder.

Mennen's Borated Talcum Powder, 25c kind per package **15c**

Dress Making.

We have one of the best lady tailors in Decatur and will guarantee any work to be up-to-date and made the best. Our work speaks for itself. Suits and Jackets our specialty. Prices reasonable.

HINMAN BROTHERS COMAPNY,

151 North Water Street,

DECATUR, - - - ILLINOIS

FARMERS COLUMN

WANTED—Man or lady of fair education for a business position; salary $50 per month and expenses. $15 cash security required. Address J. A. Alexander, Decatur, Ill.—Mar14-w2t

WANTED—To buy a car load of good oat straw. Enquire of John H. Ray, 1150 East William. Telephone 270, new phone. 11-w2t

TO LOAN—I have $2000 to $2500 to loan on good prairie farm for a term of years at 4 per cent interest. Come at once. Wm. T. Cussins 222 North Water street. 11 w2t

LOUISIANA AND TEXAS excursions March 18 and April 1st over Illinois Central and Southern Pacific. With four years of steady dealing in this section we keep informed of the best bargains on the market and we can find, have it and cheapest land we can find, have it to give our standing from those to whom we have sold and then come see us. Have some special bargains now on our list. Laughlin & Cloud, 127 East Main street. 11-w 2t

FOR SALE—50 egg incubator and brooder, magic lantern, Caligraph typewriter, $10; 4x5 camera, $20; violin, for $10, tambourine and banjo, 40x60 rings, $1.50; hall trees, $3 to $5; roller board organ, Chance, 147 S. Main. 11w2

FOR SALE—Silver Mine Seed Oats, 60 cents per bushel. Also 4 horses from 3 to 9 years old, 1000 to 1500 lb., at $100 to $150. 8 miles north Decatur, Ill. R. R. No. 1. W. A. Hinkle.—Mar4-w4t

WANTED—Carriage painting and trimming; all kinds of vehicles put in first class shape. Fine work a specialty; latest in colors and styles. I can please you. J. L. English, 122 North Church street.

WANTED—Party with $5,000, to take position as treasurer and bookkeeper, in a business doing $50,000 per annum, established in Decatur 15 years. Salary and net profit to investor $100 per month guaranteed. Address "Good Chance," care of Decatur Herald.—14-w1mo

WANTED—Everybody to know that the only place to get a square meal for 15 cents is at Myers restaurant, 451 North Water street, Decatur, Illinois.—oct15-wtf

SOCIALLY SPEAKING.

At their home, on West Wood street, Sunday afternoon, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Shocker entertained the millwrights employed in elevator A of the Shellabarger plant.

La Grippe Quickly Cured

"In the winter of 1898 and 1899 I was taken down with a severe attack of what is called la grippe," says F. L. Hewett, a prominent druggist of Winfield, Ill. "The only medicine I used was two bottles of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It broke up the cold and stopped the coughing like magic, and I have never since been troubled with the grip." Chamberlain's Cough Remedy can always be depended upon to break up a severe cold and ward off any threatened attack of pneumonia. It is pleasant to take, too, which makes it the most desirable and one of the most popular preparations in use for these ailments. For sale by all druggists.

FORMAL OPENING

A Big Crowd Visited the Tait Buildidg on Cerro Gordo Street

BRIGHT LIGHT AND MUSIC

Several thousand people attended the formal opening of the handsome new F. B. Tait Co. building, on East Cerro Gordo street. The place was radiant with the glow of electric lights and filled with the sound of music. Young and old, many togged in their best, swarmed through the commodious structure. There was no decoration except the luster of the newly painted walls and finely decorated carriages and farm machinery. In the main hall were numerous lawn swings, where the young folks had a chance to that. From cellar to top floor the building was thrown open and the people were allowed to have a glimpse of what progressive Decatur is doing. On the main floor and back of the offices was stationed the Roberts orchestra. There were no speeches, but F. B. Tait, president and treasurer of the company, was there with a hearty smile and a glad hand for all.

RECEIVING COMMITTEE.

The receiving committee was composed of the traveling salesmen and the office force of the company. D. W. Tait, W. R. Essick, E. C. Bassey, C. J. Freeman, L. W. Wright, O. P. Kelley, C. E. Boyer, George E. Blain, Frank R. Good, T. S. Fox and their wives; the traveling salesmen, Max Hard, Will Witrig, S. R. Elder, Harry Hannam and their lady friends. As the ladies passed the president on entering the building they were remembered by him and given a pretty pin tray, on which was printed a picture of the plant.

THE BUILDING.

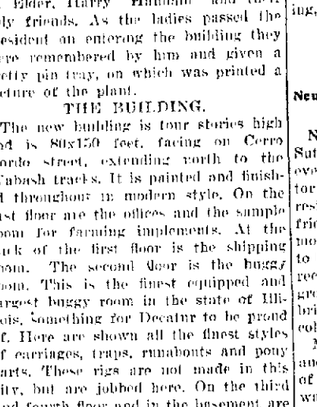
The new building is four stories high and is 80x150 feet, facing on Cerro Gordo street, extending north to the Wabash tracks. It is painted and finished throughout in modern style. On the first floor are the offices and the sample room for farming implements. At the back of the first floor is the shipping room. The second floor is the buggy room. This is the finest equipped and largest buggy room in the state of Illinois. Something for Decatur to be proud of. Here are shown all the finest styles of carriages, traps, runabouts and pony carts. These rigs are not made in this city, but are jobbed here. On the third and fourth floor and in the basement are stored the goods and the materials which are kept in stock for shipment. The building is steam heated from top to bottom and every room is brightly lighted with many windows.

TWO BIG VAULTS.

Two big vaults, either one bigger than any other ever built in this city, are in the center of the first floor and basement. One vault which is on the first floor is for the cash and daily accounts. On the inside the vault measures 18x20 feet, as large as an ordinary room. This is lighted by electricity. Beneath this is a second vault of the same dimensions and equally as safe. This is for storing patterns and keeping old files which are not frequently used. Both of these vaults are absolutely fire proof.

THE OFFICES.

The offices are finished in quarter sawed oak. Florentine glass is used throughout in the offices. In the southeast corner is the office of F. B. Tait. This is one of the neatest offices in the city. It is equipped with phones, both of the city, and private, for the factory. In the center of the room is the president's desk, a hand-some piece of oak furniture. This office is 20x15 feet. West of the president's office is that of Vice President D. W. Tait. The office of E. C. Bassey, secretary, is back of the president and vice president's office. In Mr. Bassey's office are arranged the desks of the stenographers, shipping clerks and the assistants in the office work. The building, as a whole, was greatly praised by those who attended.



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DECATUR VS. SPRINGFIELD

Pupils of the Catholic Parochial Schools Enter Competitive Examination

A contest between the pupils of St. Theresa's academy and the pupils of the parochial schools of Springfield hae been held and it is possible that the result will be known today. The contest grew out of the difference of opinion between Rev. Dean Murphy of St. Patrick's church in this city and Vicar General Hickey of Springfield, each contending that the pupils in his parish were the most capable. The same questions were given in each school. The examination papers were sent to the two priests, who will pass upon them today. One of the Sisters at St. Theresa's academy, after looking over the examination papers of the sixth and seventh grades, reported that not one of the contestants had missed a single question.

Those who were in the contest from this city were: Mother Mary's room, the third grade: Pearl Heger, Eunice McMahan, Alice Byrne, Thomas Mulendy, James Powers, Arthur Dillehundy, Joseph Zingraff. The examinations were in grammar, geography and spelling.

Those from the sixth and seventh grades were: Anna Ward, Isabell McGinty, Mabel Collins, Maggie Nolan, Dan McNamara, John Cooney, Thomas Griffin, Thomas Cooney, Leo Hayes, Joseph Spaeth, Tommy Quinn, Jennie Finnin, Kate Muleady, Minnie Bowman, Katie Zingraff. The examination in these grades were in cathecism, spelling, geography and grammar.

QUIET WEDDING

Neum D. Hill and Miss Carrie May Sutman Married Last Night

Neum D. Hill and Miss Carrie May Sutman were quietly married Monday evening by Rev. S. H. Bowyer, pastor of the First Baptist church, at his residence on West Wood street. A few friends of the couple witnessed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Hill will go at once to housekeeping in the handsome cottage recently built and furnished by the groom at 547 North Church street. The bride wore a tailor made suit of tan colored cloth.

Mr. Hill is a well known horsebuyer and Miss Sutman is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Sutman. She was formerly a teacher in the schools in Christian county and after coming to this city graduated at Brown's Business college. She at first accepted a position with the Meridith Storage company and lately has been with J. S. & H. C. Starr & Co.

The couple received many handsome and valuable presents.

SISH—COX.

Charles H. Sish and Miss Nellie L. Cox, both of Springfield, were quietly married Monday morning, March 10, by Justice James O'Mara at his office on East Main street.

PRESBYTERIAN CELEBRATION

Of Fiftieth Anniversary Will Begin May 1 and Last Three Days

The committee appointed to arrange for the celebration of the semi-centennial of the organization of the Presbyterian church in Decatur, had a meeting Monday afternoon at which the matter was discussed and some preliminary business arranged. The Presbyterian church was first organized here at the home of Mrs. Sam Powers on May 1st, 1852.

The committee will recommend to the congregation that the semi-centennial services begin Thursday evening, May 1st, and be continued Friday evening, May 2d and the entire day Sunday, May 4th. It is proposed that some of the men who have been pastors of the Decatur church in former years be invited to attend and take part in the services. Among those mentioned are Rev. E. W. Thayer of Springfield, Rev. W. H. Prestley of Newton, Rev. Mr. Conn of California and Rev. Dr. D. C. Marquis of the McCormick Theological seminary of Chicago.

It is probable that Rev. Dr. Robert MacKenzie of New York city, who was pastor here when a young man, will be invited as the guest of honor and to deliver the sermon on Sunday. The committee adjourned to meet before the prayer meeting Wednesday.

The committee is composed as follows: Dr. W. H. Penhallegon, chairman; Mrs. T. T. Roberts, Mrs. Alice Wells, W. R. Scruggs, H. I. Baldwin and J. A. Montgomery, secretary.

Austin Republicans

The primaries for the nomination of a republican township ticket for Austin township will be held in the town hall on Monday, March 17, 1902, beginning at 2 and ending at 4 o'clock p. m.

C. D. NOWLIN, Chairman.

Austin Democrats

The democrats of Austin township will hold their primaries at the town hall on Monday, March 17, 1902, at 10 o'clock a. m. to nominate township officers.

Now Better

H. F. Mondabaugh, who has been confined to his bed at his home on North Church street for the past two weeks with Bright's disease, is at last able to be around. His friends at first feared there was little chance for recovery, but his attending physician says that if he receives no setbacks he will entirely recover.

Clark E. Carr is being talked of as governor of the American (Danish) Indies

IT IS EXPLAINED

How Hopkins Managed to Score Such a Walkaway in Sangamon

DUE TO OFFICE HOLDERS

A correspondent of the Chicago Tribune gives the following details of the republican county convention held in Springfield last Saturday. It shows the methods that were pursued to carry the county for Hopkins:

The Sangamon county republican convention today nominated a ticket made up of citizens of Springfield, with one exception, listened to a speech by Governor Yates, adopted a string of resolutions as long as the moral law, and left the question of candidates for the legislature open for future consideration.

The officeholders on the state pay roll made all the motions and dominated the convention. To lend a little variety to the exhibition a few city officers were permitted to hold front seats. It was distinctly and emphatically a Yates convention. There was no brake to check the motion of the machine, and it ran wild from start to finish.

PLEASE OFFICEHOLDERS.

The resolutions are the product of a statesman by the name of Murray—Abner G. Murray—a lawyer by occupation. He solemnly declared he worked on them last night until long after midnight. He should have taken an anaesthetic before he began. The mess is real good in some particulars, but there are tracks of the Chinese poppy in evidence throughout the 2000 words. The gentle and scholarly reference to "the Chicago trust press" set the office-seeking brigade wild. Under the searching eyes of the Yates officers the entire crew from the capitol shouted and yelled with glee.

The names of Cullom, Mason and Dawes were not mentioned at all. Some sixty Dawes delegates from the country districts were in the convention, but they were in fear of their lives if they dared attempt to put a rock in the way of the governor's train.

TEXT OF THE RESOLUTIONS.

The resolutions were adopted unanimously and with yells of delight. They declare:

"We commiserate the Chicago trust press for its contemptible failure in its efforts to besmirch the splendid and untarnished administration of Governor Richard Yates, and we congratulate the republicans of Sangamon county for the fitting rebuke administered to a slanderous and malicious press, and for their unqualified disapproval, expressed through the ballot, of that sort of journalism.

INSTRUCT FOR HOPKINS.

"We hereby instruct the delegates from Sangamon county to the senatorial, congressional and state conventions to use all honorable means for the election of Albert J. Hopkins as United States senator from Illinois. We hereby instruct the delegates to the senatorial and state conventions to support such men and measures, and only such men and measures as will advance his candidacy and aid his election. And we instruct such delegates to work and vote for such organization of both senatorial and state conventions as will aid his candidacy and election so long as Albert J. Hopkins shall be a candidate; and we instruct our delegates to the state convention to cast their votes for member of the state central committee only for a man who will be a supporter of Congressman Hopkins and the state administration."

Governor Yates appeared and was received with mechanical applause, but no cheering and no enthusiasm. He repeated the ancient speech of two years ago, so well known to every person in the state.

TANNER SELECTS DELEGATES.

Permanent Chairman Mayor Phillips was presented and received with glad acclaim. It was Phillips who carried the Yates-Hopkins combination to victory, after pledging himself, it was claimed, to the opposition. The committee to select all delegates to all conventions was named and consisted of Colonel Mack Tanner and six ciphers.

NAMED FROM PAY ROLL.

The following delegates to the state convention were accepted: Mayor Phillips, William Brown, commissioner Joliet penitentiary; William Jaynes, president state board of charities; Colonel Andrew J. Lester of the governor's staff, Clarence R. Paul, editor of the Yates local organ; Edward A. Hall, treasurer state board of agriculture; J. A. Wheeler, leader of the Yates forces; Lincoln Dubois, commissary of national guard; Mack Tanner, secretary state board of charities; George S. Babcock, inspector of clothing, national guard, at $75 per month; Hezekiah Williams, clerk to Secretary of State Rose; E. C. Vandergrift, clerk Kankakee hospital; Robert Goodwin, coal contractor to state; Frank Shianeman, promised place as guard at Joliet; Fred Overstreet, on state pay roll; David Ross, secretary labor board; J. H. Paddock, assistant secretary world's fair board; John Juneman, secretary live stock board; Otis Duncan, negro janitor in state house; W. O. German, employed on governor's newspaper organ; W. J. Butler, supposed to be in insurance department in some capacity and brother of Wirt Butler; George N. Black, W. R. Jinnett and W. H. Feeney, whose places on the pay rolls have not been located. Twenty of the state delegates are from Springfield and four from the country.

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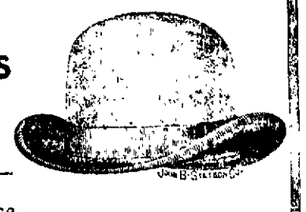

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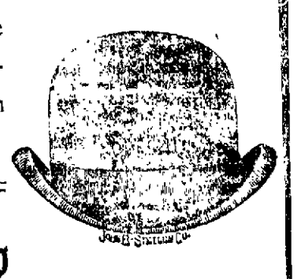

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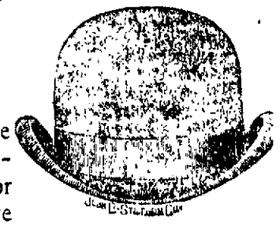

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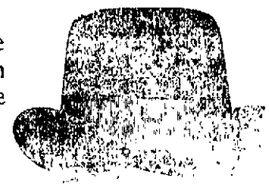

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MEXICAN HERALD ACCOUNT OF AMATEUR BULL FIGHT.

Dr. A. B. Nichols of this city recently received from his uncle, F. Bancroft, a copy of The Mexican Herald, an American paper published in the City of Mexico. Mr. Bancroft is in the fruit exporting business there and the paper contains some account of his business.

The first thing that strikes the reader is the difference in the color and quality of the paper used. The paper is soft and when frequently folded and unfolded, instead of cracking and tearing as the papers in this country it becomes soft like an old rag. The color approaches that of the ordinary manila wrapping paper but is a trifle lighter. There is a large amount of advertising space in the paper but the ads are mostly small and mostly set forth the virtues of various hotels, restaurants and corn shops in which the tourist would be interested. One of the unusual features is the daily list of people who "will arrive today" by the Mexican Central or National railroads. Nearly all the professional men in the city cover small reads with the paper and three columns of one page are devoted entirely to these.

The paper which is a daily and contains eight pages has the usual editorial, market and local departments. The mining interests come in for a good share of the space.

In a prominent position upon the second page is an account of a "charming bullfight given by the young men of the city for the benefit of charity. The following extract and the head at the top of the article are taken from the paper's literature:

FOR FUN AND CHARITY.

Young Men Give Amateur Bull Fight.

Collection Taken Up for Chilpancingo Sufferers. Young Gladiators Give Proof of Skill and Daring. Young Diplomat Makes His Debut.

A charming amateur and strictly private bull fight was given in the Mexico ring yesterday afternoon by a number of young men of fashion of this city.

With Agustin Torres Rivas acting as ring master the fight began punctually at three o'clock in the presence of a small but extremely select assemblage.

FIRST BULL.

After being goaded six times by Felipe Iturbe and Thomas Braniff, this bull passed into the hands of the banderilleros Enrique Fernandez Castillo and Agustin Schultz, the former lodging two pairs al cuarteo and the latter one pair al cuarteo and another half pair disparado.

Jose de la Hozga displayed rashness and skill in his work as matador, though his passes were performed to the measure of a two step. He dispatched the bull with a baja atravesada and was rewarded with applause.

SECOND BULL.

Thomas Braniff and Felipe Iturbe were the picadores, the former admonishing four doses and the latter two.

Mario Balmes and Jesus Solorzano took their turn as banderilleros. Balmes after several futile starts and several attempts at the cuarteo lodged a single stick al sesgo and Solorzano duplicated the other's work.

Oscar Braniff, who was a spectator, was called on to kill this bull. Taking off his coat and jumping into the ring, he addressed himself to his work. His passes were unquestionably the best seen during the afternoon. Without receiving up his bull he delivered a media estocada trasera, which was enough to call for the services of the puntillero.

Here follows a similar description of the despatching of four more bulls in which various notabilities distinguished themselves or otherwise. The article continues.

An amateur spectacle of this kind is always full of amusing incidents and the mere fact of the audience being small and more or less on terms of accustomed gives a specially interesting and pleasant character to the entertainment.

The youthful gladiators gave plenty of evidence of skill, agility and daring. They did not wear the regular bull fighter's costume, but white duck trousers, white shirts with colored faja and narrow bright colored cravat. The picadores generally wore in charro dress.

During the course of the fight a collection was raised on behalf of the Chilpancingo sufferers. But if was made from the ring, those who chose to contribute throwing their gifts into a large capa held wide open by the young ladies. Some of the gifts were handsome and the total was handed to Mrs. Jose Yves Limantour for the ladies' relief committee.

THE ATTENDANCE.

It has been said that the concourse was a distinguished one. Among those present were noticed: Hon. Jose Yves Limantour, minister of finance, Mrs. Limantour and Miss Limantour; the marquis de Prat de Nantouillet, minister of Spain; Viscount Benghem, minister of Belgium; A. Sato, minister of Japan, Baron Charles Anolo, charge d'affaires of Italy; Count Antoine Stadnicki, secretary of the Austrian legation; Jumper Shindou, secretary of the legation of Japan; and about 150 names of notables of the city, members of the diplomatic corps and visiting Americans.

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MONEY ELOQUENT WHEN WORDS PROVED INADEQUATE.

J. P. Victor, formerly yardmaster for the Iron Mountain railroad company at St. Louis, is now master of transportation for the Anheuser-Busch company in that city. Victor is well known to a number of railroad men in Decatur, and Engineer Ben Victor of the Wabash, living in this city, is his brother. Some time ago there was a fire in the big brewery plant and serious results were threatened. Victor organized an impromptu brigade of brewery employes and successfully fought the fire until the city department arrived. The work had been so well directed that what had threatened to be a big fire was easily handled after the department got to work. Adolphus Busch, the head of the house was in New York at the time, but of course he received a detailed account of the affair and the man who told the story did not forget to give Victor credit for the work he had done. In a few days the master of transportation received a letter from the head of house in which he said: "My dear Victor, I have been fully informed of your heroism, and effective work in fighting the fire, etc., etc." words fail to convey a full sense of the gratitude I feel, etc., etc." "Will you please accept the enclosed as a slight testimonial of the fact that I am not unappreciative of your efforts." The "enclosed" was a check for one thousand dollars.

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HARRY RUTHRAUFF'S LONG CLIMB TO ESCAPE FROM A MINE

Inspector Harry Ruthrauff of the water department sat in his office on Cerro Gordo street one day last week and from that place had an unobstructed view of the Human Fly who was at work on the steeple of Grace church. Ruthrauff concluded that he didn't want anything of that kind as his portion of labor. The inspector was formerly a coal miner and he said that he never thought of danger when going into a mine but he could not stand high climbing. That recalled a foolhardy trick indulged in by himself and a number of miners when he was about 17 years old. He was working in a mine in Menard county. That shaft was 227 feet deep. One night just as the miners came from the rooms where they had been working, ready to leave the mine for the night, the machinery broke and they could not be hoisted out. They knew that the break was one that would require several days time to repair. There was no solid partition across the shaft, the two ways being separated by only a line of stringers, timbers, 4x8 inches, two and a half feet apart. The weather was bitter cold and these timbers were covered with ice. Finally some one suggested climbing out on those timbers, and a number of the younger members of the party, Ruthrauff among them, began the climb. It was zero temperature and there was a terrific rush of cold air down the shaft. Ruthrauff says that he doesn't know how long they were in climbing out of the shaft but he does know that they were nearly frozen and their hands became so numb they could scarcely hold on to the ice-covered timbers. After fifteen or twenty had crawled out they rigged up an affair by which the other men were drawn up. The inspector says that now, rather than attempt such a long climb over those ice-covered braces he would remain in the mine three days.

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OLD LETTER FROM J. C. PUGH TO GOVERNOR FORD

Ed Carter of this city, has a valuable collection of papers and relics of past history in Decatur. For years he has made a specialty of saving things of this kind and among the number are many of great interest. There is one especially interesting. It is a letter written by J. C. Pugh to Governor Ford in reference to the organization of a volunteer company for the Mexican war. The letter says.

"From a verbal conversation that Lieutenant Oglesby had with you a few days since, my volunteer company has proceeded with all possible dispatch to uniform themselves and march at a moment's warning. The merchants here have been liberal in making advances of uniforms. The question arises that in case we are not called into rendezvous will the company have to pay for their own uniforms without any prospect of being remunerated. Your answer to this particular inquiry is earnestly solicited.

To Governor Ford.

I. C. Pugh, captain Volunteer company.

June 5, 1846.

This company finally had some trouble getting into the service. Under the call the state of Illinois was allowed three regiments and when the Decatur company reached Springfield there were more than enough already there to make up the three regiments. Congressman Ficklin was appealed to and through his influence the state was allowed another regiment and the Decatur volunteers got in that way. The company saw hard service and was in nearly all of the more important battles of the war.

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THE NEW TYPE WRITER FOLLOWED THE DICTATOR VERBATUM.

One lawyer called on the other a few days ago and made jocular remarks about a letter that had been received, having been dictated by the bachelor member of the firm to the new and pretty girl who had just come from business college. It proved that she believed in taking dictation verbatim. Here is what the letter press copy in the office showed:

"Messrs. Doolittle and Slack, Attorneys, at Law, City:

"Gentlemen: Your communication of the 17th inst. received and contents noted. Beg pardon, Miss Jones, but I believe there is a piece of lint on top of your shoulder. May I? Thanks. We wish to say in reply to your proposition that we are not at present prepared to consider clauses one and two; nevertheless—Ah, I see that you are wearing a very beautiful ring, Miss Jones. Sentimental interest attaching to it—of course! Rubber!—nevertheless, can say at this writing that your suggestions seem to cover the ground fairly well. There! Another of those street organs! Hear that? 'Mamie, Come Kiss Your Honey Boy!' Oh, nothing! Clause three, however, must certainly be very carefully examined, as it does not appear to be so well drawn. 'A Hot Time in the Old Town!' reminds me of shindigs I went to when a boy. I'm great on a breakdown. Would never dream it, would you? The clause in question is being studied by our Mr. Brisk. 'Talk about a coon a-having trouble!' Do they all look alike to you, Miss Jones? Eh, Hello! That's a peach! Always did love that tune. 'Ah Don' Love-a-Nobody, an' a-Nobobdy Loves Me!' A'int it the truth Our client, Mr. Smith is disposed to be very exacting upon premises named in clause four, as you know.

"The last girl we had used to wear her hairs so tight that you could see the roots. Yours is arranged most attractively, Miss Jones, if you will allow me to say it. By the way, I'm going to the show tonight, and I don't know who to take. Touching upon the stipulations in clause five we are inclined to doubt that they will satisfy our client. They say the pieces in town are the hottest that ever came down. Pardon me, hope you don't mind slang.

"With thanks for your promptness, and assuring you that the document will have our immediate attention we remain, Miss Jones—I have been noticing your profile, and it looks very much like a sketch I have seen, representing Helen of Troy gazing across the Hellespont, presumably with a dreamy languor that is simply-er, you resemble her very, very much—we remain, Very Respectfully Yours, Golightly and Brisk, Attorneys, per—"

Mr. Golightly has lately deemed it advisable to transfer the irksome duties of correspondence to his partner.

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J. P. CHURCH TELLS ABOUT NOVEL TELEGRAPH INSTRUMENT

A few days ago an item in the railroad column of the Herald mentioned the quadruplex telegraph system used on the Wabash and by which four messages can be sent simultaneously over one wire. That item brought a request for a description of the method by which that was possible, and when a reporter appealed to J. P. Church, the expert electrician, chief clerk of the Wabash telegraph department, he said:

"It is difficult to explain the modus operandi of the quadruplex without going into technical details, which would probably be more confusing than elucidative to those not familiar with the subject.

"Briefly, the quadruplex is a combination of telegraph instruments specially constructed and connected with the line wire in a way that allows four messages to be transmitted simultaneously over one wire, two in one direction and two in the opposite direction: i. e., on a quadruplex circuit between Decatur and Chicago, two messages could be sent from Decatur to Chicago, and two from Chicago to Decatur at the same time, and four operators would be required at each end to handle them.

"The most frequent query heard is, 'How do the messages get by each other?'

"The instruments are so arranged that the messages sent from Decatur do not affect the receiving instrument at that place, so that they are free to receive the two messages from Chicago, and vice versa.

"There are two sets of sending and two sets of receiving instruments at each end so that each operator has a separate instrument to work. One message is sent by reversals of the battery and the other by adding more battery; the receiving instruments being so arranged that one responds to the reversals and the other to the increased strength of the added battery.

"While the machinery used in the quad is rather expensive compared with the instruments used for single working, it does not cost nearly so much as three additional wires, which it supplants. A standard gauge copper wire between Chicago and St. Louis costs about $18,000 exclusive of the poles, while the quadruplex instruments for both ends cost about $275."

From the above figures it can be readily seen that a great saving results from the use of the multiplex systems in telegraphy on through circuits. They are not applicable to way wires, however, as they require a large battery or dynamo current with each set and are used only at terminals.

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PANA CORRESPONDENT IS A GENIUS IN HIS LINE

Really the genius of that newspaper correspondent at Pana should receive fitting recognition. He not only looks after his own baliwick, sending out many sensational stories that never happened, but he carefully guards the entire south half of the state. The way that his stuff is accepted by the city papers would indicate that they are presided over by gullible men. Here is one of his latest and best stories.

At Staunsburg, Willie Hennessee, a boy who has been desperately ill, was saved from death by a dream. His mother dreamed he was dead and that he had been restored to life by the breath of another. About 1 o'clock Monday afternoon the little patient had a relapse and before his father could reach the room had ceased to breathe.

Life appeared to be extinct, but Mrs. Hennessee in a frenzy of grief, exclaimed: "Breathe into his body." Mr. Hennessee parted his son's lips and breathed a number of times with great force and in a moment the child began to show signs of life. The little fellow is doing well and will probably recover.

The New Plan For Naming Decatur Streets

The council committee upon street signs and numbers will have a meeting tomorrow night in the city engineer's office. A plan was proposed at their last meeting and each member was to apply it to the conditions existing in his ward to determine its practicability.

The present plan is to do away with names for all streets running east and west and to designate these by numbers and letters.

Beginning at the line of East and West Main street and proceeding northward the streets will be numbered with the number of the following block.

For example, Main street will retain its present designation, Prairie avenue will be Second avenue, William street will be Third street, North street, Fourth street, etc.

Proceeding southward from Main, Wood will be known as B street, Macon as C street, Decatur as D street, etc.

The matter of calling the thoroughfares streets or avenues is considered immaterial and can be left to the residents.

In adopting the scheme Main streets, East and West will retain their present names, but will be considered as First street and A street. It is believed there will be no opposition to a plan which so greatly facilitates the matter of locating any particular number on any street in the city. While Decatur was a small town in which the residence district was practically bounded by the Wabash and Illinois Central railroads, Decatur and Pine streets, it was not difficult to direct even a stranger to any particular block or house, but now the numbers in this city run up to 2200 north, 2000 east and 1600 south and west, and the matter has become more complicated.

The greatest difficulty encountered by the members of the committee has been on the east side of Water street, north of King street and on Webster street south of Wood street.

On North Water street between the Wabash right-of-way and Herkimer street six streets open on the west side and eight on the east side. The blocks on the west side are practically correct as to dimensions and are properly numbered, consequently, if the scheme is adopted the streets will be numbered as follows: Green street will be Eighth, King Ninth, Marietta Tenth, Packard—Eleventh, Leatland—Twelfth and Herkimer Thirteenth. This accounts for all the streets on the west side of the street and with the straightening out and continuing of some of the streets to the east leaves only Wabash avenue and Orchard street to be disposed of. To obviate calling these, half streets it is proposed to call them courts. Wabash avenue will be Seventh Court, and Orchard street from Water to Broadway will become Tenth Court. This is the plan used in Chicago and is practically the only way out of such an arrangement of streets.

From Main street north to the Wabash railroad there is little to do in the way of running the street names through. The Wabash railroad will be known as Seventh street, next will be Seventh Court (Wabash avenue), Green street will become Eighth street and will be continued as East Eighth street along Central avenue and Sangamon street, King street or Ninth as it will be known, will proceed east along Bradford and what is now East Marietta streets and Marietta will run through to Broadway and then jog north to Orchard street continuing east as Tenth street. Orchard street will become Tenth Court, and Packard and Condit will be consolidated as Eleventh street. Leatland or Twelfth street already runs through and Herkimer and Pugh streets will figure as East and West Thirteenth streets. One or two courts will be required to make the blocks between Herkimer and Division on Warren street come out according to schedule but there is nothing so far that cannot be arranged.

South of Main street West, as B street runs through, Macon will be extended as C street down Washington, and probably Clay street. South of Macon street is the worst piece in the city. Decatur street east of the Illinois Central right-of-way is a block and a half south of the street line west of Union street. Johns avenue is the logical extension of Decatur street and to make it that will necessitate another court. This part has not yet been worked out.

The plan outlined is so far only under investigation and has not been in any way adopted but it seems to present the only feasible way of getting at the matter.

The committee have approached various citizens about the scheme and co one has offered an objection. The citizens however, did express very decided views about the sign posts. They want them of iron and desire that they should have signs upon them that can be read across the street. The growth of the city will some day necessitate the establishment of more fire alarm boxes and probably police telephones and it is suggested that the sign posts might without extra cost be of such a character as to support these devices whenever they are put in.

It will take at least the rest of the month to get the plan worked out and in shape to present to the council.

The committee will probably attach to their report a recommendation that in the future parties offering plats of additions to the city, be obliged to make the streets of the addition conform to the adjoining streets within the city limits. The greater part of the trouble that has been met in the effort to straighten out the streets has been due to the carelessness of the addition makers in platting their ground.

WONDERS OF HUMAN BODY

Curious Differences in Eyes and Ears with Many Other Variances

Two sides of a face are never alike. The eyes are out at blue in two cases out of five, and one eye is stronger than the other in seven persons out of ten. The right ear is, also, as a rule, higher than the left.

Only one person in 15 has perfect eyes, the larger percentage of defectiveness prevailing among fair-haired people. Short sight is more common in town than among country folk, and of all people the Germans have a larger proportion of short-sighted persons.

The crystalline lens of the eye is the one portion of the human body which continues to increase in size throughout life, and does not cease with the attainment of maturity.

The smallest interval of sound can be better distinguished with one ear than with both. The nails of two fingers never grow with the same rapidity, that of the middle finger the fastest, that of the thumb slowest.

In 54 cases out of 100 the left leg is stronger than the right. The bones of an average male skeleton weigh 20 pounds, those of a woman are six pounds lighter, says the Ledger Monthly. That unruly member, the tongue of a woman, is also smaller than that of a man, given a man and a woman of equal size and weight. It may be appalling to reflect, but it is true, that the muscles of the human jaw exert a force of over 500 pounds.

American legs are more symmetrical than those of any other people. The rocking-chair, according to an English scientist, is responsible for the exercise which increases the beauty of the legs. The push which the toes give to keep the chair in motion, repeated, makes the instep high, the calf round and full, and it keeps misshapening flesh off the ankle, making the ankle delicate and slender.

British women are said to average two inches more in height than American women. Averages for the height of women show that those born in summer and autumn are taller than those born in spring or winter. As far as the boys are concerned, those who first see the light during the autumn and winter are not so tall as those born in spring and summer. Those born in November are the shortest; in July, the tallest.

A head of fair hair consists of 143,040 hairs, dark hair of 105,000.

A person who has lived 70 years has had pass through his heart about 675,920 tons of blood, the whole of the blood in the body passing through the heart in about 32 beats. The heart beats on an average of 70 times a minute, or 36,792,000 times in the course of a year, so that the heart of a person 80 years of age has beaten two billion times. The heart beats 10 strokes a minute less when one is lying down than when one is in an upright position.

OYSTERS GROW ON TREES

Other Vagaries of Animals in Various Parts of the World

The British government conducts a turtle farm at Ascension Island. January in each year sees the commencement of the turtle season, which does not, as a rule, last more than three months. All turtles caught at Ascension Island are the property of the crown, and are only sent to England and other places for disposal as directed by the admiralty, in whose hands the government of the whole island practically rests. The particular species which favors Ascension with its visits is the green turtle, from whose green fat and portion of the fins that particular brand of soup is made which is proverbially associated with the banquets of London's civic dignitaries.

Many people still smile when they hear travelers talk of oysters that grow on trees, just as long ago sailors were laughed at when they came home with stories of flying fish. Both were real enough, however, and the tree oyster is of delicious taste, if voyagers through the tropics are to be believed.

At a conference recently held in Barbados, J. E. Duerden of Jamaica, an economic scientist of some note, brought forward an interesting proposal for increasing and improving the cultivation of tree oysters, and as there is a rich field in nearly all the West India islands and along the coast of Central America, something may come of the scheme. These oysters cling to the branches of the mangrove.

When the English rooks are building their nests, frequently a rookery is disturbed by big quarrels over the placing of those huge bundles of sticks in the tree tops. The trouble occurs mostly with young birds wishing to place their nests too near to an old nest. A council of rooks is called, with the result that the disputants' nests are soon scattered to the winds and the claimant and the defendant both have to begin a new foundation.

Sometimes there is a disturbance on a more limited scale when a pair of birds do their very best to pull the sticks from the nest of another pair, each of the contending parties doing all they can to prevent the other from building. Rooks are curiously weather wise, and they scent a coming storm and set to work to repair and strengthen their nests before that imminent gale has been evident to the farmer. The rook's powers of sight and hearing are remarkable.

Lake of Perfume

On the Mangishlak peninsula, in the Caspian Sea, there are five small lakes. One of them is covered with salt crystals strong enough to allow a man and beast to cross the lake on foot; another is as round as any circle and a lovely rose color. Its banks of salt crystal form a setting, white as the driven snow, to the water, which not only shows all the colors from violet to rosy red, but from which rises a perfume as of violets. Both the perfume and the color are the result of the presence of seaweeds, the violet and the pink.

A $78,000 Land Sale

One of the largest real estate deals in the history of the county was recorded in the circuit clerk's office today. Kilburn H. Roby and wife and George D. Haworth and wife of Decatur, transferred to Thomas T. Roberts, also of Decatur, between 900 and 1000 acres of land in Mosquito township for a consideration of $78,000. The deal had $37.75 in stamps attached to it.—Taylorville Breeze (Friday).

Game Of Ping-Pong New Society Craze

The game is for two players. They shall stand one at each end of the table. The player who first delivers the ball shall be called the server and the other the striker out.

At the end of the first game, the striker-out shall have become the server, and the server shall become the striker-out, and so on alternately.

The service shall be strictly underhand and delivered from behind the end of the table.

The ball served must drop anywhere on the table top beyond the net, and is then in play. If it drops into the nets or off the table it counts to the striker-out. There is no second service, as in lawn tennis.

In serving, it is a let if the ball touch the net in passing over.

If the ball in play strikes any object above or around the table before it bounces on the table top itself (net or post excepted) it counts against the player.

The server wins a stroke if the striker-out fails to return the service, or return the service or balls in play off the table.

The striker-out wins a stroke if the server serve a fault, or fails to return the ball in play, or return the ball in play so that it falls off the table.

No volleying is allowed, but as long as the ball touches the table top it is in play and can be taken at half volley.

On either player winning his first stroke the score is called 15 for that player; on either player winning his second stroke the score is called 30 for that player; on either player winning his third stroke the score is called 40 for that player, and the fourth stroke won by either player is scored game for that player except as below.

If both players have won three strokes (40 in all), the score is called deuce, and the next stroke won by either player is scored advantage to that player. If the same player win the next stroke, he wins the game; if he loses the next stroke the score is again called deuce, and so on, until either player wins the two strokes immediately following the score of deuce, when the game is scored for that player.

The player who first wins six games wins a set.

The game may also be scored by points twenty up. The players in this case change the service, after every five points scored, like "overs" at cricket.

If there was any one thing which caused Prince Henry of Prussia to regret his departure from his native land, it was the fact that his imperial brother, William III., had just received from his royal uncle, Edward VII., the apparatus for playing table tennis, "or Ping-Pong."

The gift had been made but a few days before Prince Henry left for this country, and had been played but once or twice before he left the royal palace. As in every other instance, the game became popular at once, and doubtless will become in Germany the fad it now is in Great Britain, and is becoming in the United States.

In this county the game has many devotees. The George Goulds are playing it at Lakewood; the clubs are fitted with equipment for the game; and society is rapidly taking it up.

ABSORBING IN INTEREST.

"Ping-Pong," while most interesting, is not an extensive amusement. It can be played upon an ordinary dining table. The outfit consists of a net about four inches in length, racquets and balls, which are merely shells of celluloid. An outfit of this kind can be purchased at prices ranging from $2 to $7.50.

Should one care to go into the game more seriously, a set can be purchased of green cloth, marked with a white line in imitation of a tenis court, which may be spread over the table, and the game may be played according to the rules governing tennis. This cloth may be purchased at a cost of from $1.50 to $3.00.

An addition may be made to the equipment by the purchase of a regularly constructed "Ping-Pong" table, which is a skeleton of iron, costing $11. Should one have in the home all of the articles mentioned, friends can entertain in the most approved and up-to-date manner.

WHERE NAMES COME FROM.

As many people who have read of "Ping-Pong" have doubtless guessed the name is a slang term. The real name is "Table Tennis."

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Miss Emma Moore of Gays is visiting Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Hagman in this city. Miss Moore was a delegate to the student volunteer convention at Toronto. She reports a very good attendance and a enthusiastic meeting.

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John I. Pasold left for Joliet to visit his mother, who is very sick.

Miss Mollie Farner has returned from a visit at Oreana, where she was the guest of Mrs. Ross Hockaday.

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